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WASHINGTON.

Debate in the Senate on the Suffrage Amendment.

The Indian Appropriation Bill Before the House.

A Vote of Censure of Mr. Holbrook, Delegate from Idaho.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 4.

The Senate took up the consideration of the Constitutional Amendment to-day, shortly after 1 o'clock, and debated it until about 5. Only four speeches were made on the subject; the principal, although not the longest one, being that delivered by Senator MORTON, which was listened to with close attention. Mr. MORTON did not altogether favor the amendment either of the House or of the Senate Judiciary Committee, although he stated that he would vote for either if he could not get one more acceptable. His main objection to the proposition in its present form is, that a State can, if she has the inclination, evade the spirit of the amendment when it becomes a law. While adhering strictly to its letter, he holds that even after its adoption, the States will still have control of the question of suffrage. Both amendments, which are substantially the same, there being only a slight verbal difference between them, provide that neither the United States nor a State shall deny or abridge the right to vote or hold office to any citizen of the United States, on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Mr. MORTON argues that a State can, if she chooses, deny or abridge these rights for other reasons. That she may impose, for instance, an educational qualification, or any other restriction, which legislative ingenuity will readily suggest. Besides this, he is opposed to the negative form of the amendment. Almost all the provisions of the Constitution are affirmative in character, and he considers that for the sake of uniformity, if nothing else, the amendment had better now be made an affirmative proposition. The point he made against both Senators HENDRICKS and DOOLITTLE, that in their speeches in opposition they had not addressed themselves to the merits of the question, but confined themselves merely to the form of submitting the amendment to the people, was happy and forcible. The fact marks a stage in the history of the Democratic Party, if these gentlemen may be regarded as its spokesmen.

A DELEGATE CENSURED.

The most prominent feature in the House proceedings to-day was a parliamentary scene during the consideration of the Indian Appropriation bill, in which Mr. HOLBROOK, delegate from Idaho, extinguished himself, and brought down upon him the unanimous and formal censure of the House by bearding the Butlerian lion in a spirit of foolish bravado. The House was considering the amendments to the bill made in Committee of the Whole, and Mr. GARFIELD made a most vigorous and incisive speech on the corruption of the Indian management generally, and in defence of his proposition to transfer the Bureau to the War Department. Mr. WINDOM replied to Mr. GARFIELD very warmly, and Gen. BUTLER, who was managing the bill, proceeded to close the debate, and in so doing made some remarks not very complimentary to Indian Agents. As nearly every territorial delegate has been an Indian Agent at some time or other, Mr. HOLBROOK thought this was personal, and he interrupted Gen. BUTLER, and told him he was uttering what was unqualifiedly false, and that he (BUTLER) knew it was false. A point of order was at once made. The words were taken down on the demand of Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, and being read from the official notes, the Speaker ruled them as highly unparliamentary. Mr. HOLBROOK was then given an opportunity to withdraw them, which he refused to do in a sort of Border-ruffian spirit. A vote of censure was then unanimously ordered, and he was brought before the bar of the House under arrest, and the Speaker administered the censure of the House in severe terms.

WAR DEPARTMENT RETRENCHMENT.

Secretary SCHOFIELD presented his views yesterday to the House Military Committee relative to the reduction of the army, but more especially in reference to the consolidation of the bureaus which have grown such vast and expensive departments. From the following synopsis of the opinions of the Secretary, it will be seen that his plan of retrenchment is a most sweeping one, which, if carried out successfully, will save an immense annual sum to the Government. He considered that the Quartermaster and Commissary Departments might be advantageously consolidated into one, the Ordnance and Artillery into another, and the Engineer and Coast Survey into a third. On being questioned as to whether this would not impair the efficiency of the service, he replied that he thought not; that the work would be much more satisfactorily performed under one head. His most startling and important recommendation was that the War and Navy Departments be placed under the charge of one Secretary, the military branch of which should be managed by a General, and the naval by an Admiral. He gave it as his opinion that brevets ought to be abolished altogether. He spoke in favor of a transfer of the Indian Bureau to the War Department, and thought the change would be for the advantage of the Government, as well as of the Indians. He said that, above all others, the officers who fight the Indians are in favor of having peace with them. There was no honor to be won in Indian wars and outbreaks. He believed that in nine cases out of ten these disturbances are the result of the encroachments of the whites. The War Department, said he, has spent more money within the last year in the suppression of insurrections than it would take to feed the Indians for five years. The members of the Committee coincide in opinion with the Secretary in nearly all of the above points, and it is more than probable that the consolidation and changes indicated will be recommended.

GEN. GRANT AND HIS STAFF.

Gen. GRANT, accompanied by Gens. DENT and BADEAU, of his staff, left for New-York in the morning train to-day. Gen. RAWLINGS, Chief of Staff, left in the train to-night for Danbury, Conn., to join his family, whence he will remain for several weeks. Gen. COMSTOCK and wife left on the early morning train for Tallahassee, Fla., whence they go to Key West on their bridal trip. Gen. GRANT will be absent until Tuesday next, it being his intention to be here when the Presidential vote is counted. The House to-day agreed to the one necessary preliminary to this event by the appointment of JAS. T. WILSON, of Iowa, and JOHN V. L. PRUYN, of New-York, tellers on its part to count the vote with the teller appointed by the Senate. Mr. WILSON served in the same capacity at the last election of Mr. LINCOLN. His associate then was JOHN L. DAWSON, of Pennsylvania.

THE POSTAL TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.

The postal telegraph system and the question of subsidizing a steamship line to Europe were considered to-day by the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. Three gentlemen gave their views in reference to the first subject. Mr. ORTON, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, argued against the proposed assumption of the regulation and management of the telegraph business of the country by Government. Mr. HUBBARD and Mr. DERBY presented their views in favor of the scheme. The Committee came to no conclusion on the subject, and will again resume the consideration of the topic. It is more than probable that the Committee will concur with the House Committee and report against the scheme. A gentleman interested in one of the now numerous mail steamship lines to Europe, made an address in favor of the proposition that Government should allow to his Company, the ocean postage on all mail matter which they may be allowed to carry to Europe.

THE REFRACTORY WITNESSES.

The House dealt promptly to-day with the two refractory witnesses from New-York, who were arrested at the request of the Committee on the New-York Election Frauds. JOHNSON having purged himself of contempt by testifying and showing that his failure to respond was the result of accident or ignorance rather than a design to disobey the mandate of the Committee. SCANNELL was ordered to be discharged on payment of costs of arrest, and there was considerable discussion on his case, and his Democratic friends made an effort to secure his unconditional release but failed. Mr. BROOKS and Mr. KERR asserted that he was a poor man and unable to pay the sum; but, in refutation of this statement, Mr. LAWRENCE announced that he had been a member of the New-York Common Council, upon which showing the House unconditionally enforced the sentence and he was remanded to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms. SCANNELL says he cannot and will not pay the bill of costs, which amount to about $75, and he will therefore have a chance to play the rôle of a martyr for a short time. This will not last long, as he isn't big enough game for that purpose.

THE OVERLAND MAILS.

The WELLS-FARGO investigation assumed a new phase to-day. The correspondent of the New-York *Evening Post* having charged that the Committee had failed to summon certain witnesses and were preparing to make a white-washing report, he was summoned to-day and asked to furnish names and facts to substantiate his charges. He responds by saying that a member of Congress, whose name he gave, had told him so, and asked for time until to-morrow to consult certain notes which would afford him data for fuller answer. The Committee are of the opinion that this is all the foundation he had for making his statement.

THE ALASKA INVESTIGATION.

In the Alaska investigation, the correspondent of the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, whose alleged action has been the subject of the recent testimony of Messrs. ROBERT J. WALKER and F. P. STANTON, has demanded an opportunity to reply to their statements, which will be afforded him by the Committee. He pronounces them utterly untrue, and says he can prove them to be so.

THE NEW-YORK ELECTION FRAUDS.

The investigation of the New-York election frauds was continued to-day by the Select Committee who have charge of the subject. The two witnesses, JOHNSON and SCANNELL, who were yesterday brought before the bar of the House, gave some testimony this morning. JOHNSON'S evidence went to show that he was an active and zealous agent of Tammany Hall in the late election, and that through his instrumentality the Republican polling officers were made drunk at one of the booths in the Fourth Ward, which afforded him an opportunity to stuff the ballot boxes with the names of eighty-five fraudulent voters, which were duly counted and went to swell the City majority against GRISWOLD.

THE NATURALIZATION LAWS.

There will be an entire revision of the Naturalization laws at the next, if not during the present, session of Congress. The general system of fraud and cheating in the elections in the East and West, and more especially in New-York City for some years past, has induced one or two prominent members of Congress to give their attention to the subject, in the hope of securing some legislation which will have the effect of diminishing if not putting a stop to the crimes and abuses which now exist. Two members of the House Committee for the Revision of the Laws have prepared bills on the subject, which will be considered at a special meeting of the Committee on Saturday morning next. Judge POLAND, who has had an experience of a quarter of a century on the Bench, and Mr. JENCKES, of Rhode Island, have drawn up two measures on the subject which the above-named Committee will be asked to examine, after to-morrow. Mr. DICKEY, of the same Committee, who is also on the New-York Election Frauds Committee, will have some views to present on the subject.

THE ALABAMA TREATY.

The Senate Foreign Relations Committee have not yet taken up the consideration of the protocol to the *Alabama* treaty, and no day has been decided on for its discussion. The question when it shall come up rests entirely with the Chairman of the Committee, and he has not yet mentioned a word on the subject. The indications now are that there will be no action taken on it even in Committee during the present session of Congress. The best opinion on the subject is that the Committee will present an adverse report on it, if even they report at all.

THE TAX BILL.

Gen. SCHENCK made an encouraging statement to-day in the House regarding the Tax bill. He said it was substantially completed in Committee of the Whole, the only work remaining to be done being the substitution of the present law on spirits and tobacco for the sections in the bill relating to the same, they being identical in all their provisions. The House will finish the bill within a week, and if the Senate were so disposed it could even yet be passed there. The session to-night is for debate only. Mr. MOORHEAD tried to get up his Tariff bill as usual, but failed as usual.

DR. MUDD PARDONED.

The President to-day directed a pardon to issue for Dr. MUDD, the assassination conspirator now confined at the Dry Tortugas. Efforts are being made also to secure the pardon of ARNOLD and SPANGLER, the only remaining prisoners now confined there on this charge. There is reason to believe that they will be successful, and that before the close of Mr. JOHNSON'S term every living participant in that terrible crime will be released.

RAILROAD SUBSIDIES.

The Senate Pacific Railroad Committee will hold a meeting on Friday next to hear the report of the sub-committee, who are considering the measure known as the Omnibus Railroad bill, and who have also in charge the consideration of the new proposition of guaranteeing the interest instead of the principal of any bonds, whose issue may be authorized. The statements that the full Committee have agreed to any propositions on these topics are erroneous.

THE INAUGURATION BALL.

The Committee on the Inauguration Ball have taken hold of the matter with so much vigor that, notwithstanding the limited time for preparations, it will nevertheless be complete and brilliant in all its parts. No finer place for the festivities could have been secured than the new wing of the Treasury. Among the Committee are Admiral BAILEY, Gen. WEBB, H. D. COOKE, Esq., Major POORE, A. R. SHEPHERD, Esq., and other leading officers and civilians.

TAKING THE CENSUS.

Both Houses have adopted the necessary preliminary steps for the taking of the next census. The gentlemen who are to compose the Joint Committee on the part of the House were announced a few days ago. Mr. WADE to-day designated the following gentlemen on the part of the Senate: Messrs. CONKLING, ANTHONY, HOWE, SAWYER and BUCKALEW. The joint resolution under which they are appointed empowers them to sit during the Summer to prepare a draft of the necessary legislation.

MISSISSIPPI RECONSTRUCTION.

The Reconstruction Committee have ordered their evidence in be printed, and Gov. BOUTWELL is now engaged on the report in the Mississippi case, which will be presented to the House next week. The decision of the Committee in the case of this State has not yet formally been made, and the character of the report cannot yet be stated.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 4.

CONSULS RECOGNIZED.

The President has recognized ERNST BEYER as Consul of the North German Union, at Mobile, Ala.; J. U. COSSLER, as Consul of the North German Union, at Boston; EMILIO DE LOS CASAS, as Consul of Venezuela, at New-York; EDWARD F. DAVIDSON, as Consul-General of the Argentine Republic, for the United States.

PACIFIC RAILROAD BONDS.

The interest paid by the United States, on all bonds issued to the Union Pacific Railway Company, (Eastern Division,) including Dec. 31, 1868, is $639,205. Fifty per cent. of the earnings from Government business returned to the Treasurer by the Company, as provided by law, is $516,785.

INDICTED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

The Grand Jury has found a true bill for manslaughter against a man who, without knowledge or skill in medicine, administered ten grains of sulphate of morphine to a woman who, it is alleged, died in consequence.

MARINE LIGHT.

The Light-house Board officially announces that the range of lights at Hilton Head, South Carolina, will be discontinued after the 15th of March.

NAVAL INTELLIGENCE.

Rear-Admiral ROWAN reports, under date Shanghae, Dec. 1, the employment of vessels in the Asiatic Squadron during the month of November as follows: The *Idaho*, stationed at Nisgasaki, as a store and hospital ship; *Oneida* at Yokahama; the *Monocacy* at Hiogo; the *Iroquois* and *Ashuelot* at Shanghae; the *Aroostook* cruising about the Island of Formosa; the *Maumee* left Nagasaki on Nov. 3 for Hiogo; the *Unadilla* at her old station; headquarters at Hong Kong.

Lieut.-Commander R. L. POTTER has been ordered to the Boston Navy-yard and Lieut. Commander J. H. ROWLAND to the receiving ship *Potomac*.

THE SUPREME COURT.

The following cases were disposed of in the Supreme Court to-day:

BROWN *vs.* HOWSON, and the Phœnix Insurance Company *vs.* the same; appeals from the Circuit Court for the Northern District of New-York, reversing the decrees of the District Court in cases of collision. The cases were submitted.

INGLE, administrator, *de bonis non*, *vs.* JONES; continued to next term.

HAYS, appellant, *vs.* HUSSEY; continued to next term.

SILM *vs.* LADD *et al.*; controversy concerning certain lands in Oregon; cause argued.

MARSHALL *vs.* LADD *et al.*; controversy same as in last above mentioned; submitted.

LAHER *vs.* COOPER; suit on a promissory note; submitted.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 4.

Mr. POMEROY presented a joint resolution of the Legislature of Kansas, relating to the mail service and post routes in that State.

THE STEAMER ATLANTIC.

Mr. HENDRICKS, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported, with amendment, the House joint resolution directing the sale of the steamer *Atlantic*, which was thereupon considered and passed.

THE RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

Mr. CHANDLER presented a joint resolution of the Michigan Legislature, requesting Michigan Representatives and Senators to secure the passage of the River and Harbor Appropriation bill.

NEW SENATORS.

The Chair presented the credentials of THOMAS W. TIPTON, Senator elect from Nebraska.

Mr. NYE presented the credentials of WILLIAM M. STEWART, Senator elect from Nevada.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. EDMUNDS introduced a bill to provide better security for engraving and printing of the securities of the United States, and for other purposes:

Mr. EDMUNDS' bill authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to enter into a contract with the engraving and bank note printing establishment, for a period of from ten to twenty years, to do each a portion of said work, in such manner that one shall be a check upon the other and upon the officers of the Treasury Department.

Mr. VAN WINKLE introduced a bill to incorporate the Junction Railroad Company of Washington. Referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Mr. OSBORN introduced a bill for an American line of mail and emigrant passenger steamships between certain Atlantic ports and one or more European ports, which was referred to the Committee on Post Offices. The steamers are to run from Fernandina, Fla., and Savannah, Ga., to Liverpool, Havre and Bremen, and receive $1,000,000 annually for carrying the mails.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Judiciary Committee, reported, with an amendment, the bill concerning divorces in the District of Columbia.

Mr. SPENCER introduced a bill granting twenty alternate sections of land per mile to the New-Orleans and Selma Railroad, which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. CATTELL introduced a bill to provide for the conversion of registered bonds of the United States into coupon bonds, which was referred to the Committee on Finances.

It authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to issue, upon such terms and under such regulations as he may from time to time prescribe, coupon bonds in exchange for, and in lieu of, any registered bonds which have been or may hereafter be lawfully issued; such coupon bonds to be similar in all respects to the coupon bonds issued under the acts authorizing the issue of the registered bonds offered for exchange.

Mr. COLE introduced a bill to grant lands to the Santa Barbara branch of the Southern Pacific Railroad. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. WARNER introduced a bill to renew certain grants of land to the State of Alabama.

PETITIONS PRESENTED.

Mr. SUMNER presented resolutions of the Colored Council of the Union League of Winchester, protesting against the removal of the political disabilities of Judge PARKER, of Virginia. Referred to the Judiciary Committee. Also, a petition of CYRUS ANSON, of New-York, asking that $500,000 be retained out of the price of the Island of St. Thomas, to reimburse him for certain losses growing out of a contract to make a ship canal across the Isthmus of Holstein, to open communication between the North Sea and the Baltic.

Mr. MORGAN presented a petition of the Western Union Telegraph Company, praying the remission of $10,000 duties on the submarine cable purchased for the Asiatic telegraph enterprise.

TAKING THE CENSUS.

Mr. HOWE, from the Committee on Claims, reported favorably the bill to pay loyal citizens in the States lately in rebellion for services in taking the United States census of 1860.

THE DENVER RAILROAD.

Mr. POMEROY moved to take up the motion made by Mr. CONNESS several days since, to reconsider the vote upon the bill relating to the central branch of the Union Pacific Railroad to allow the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WILLIAMS) to offer an amendment. Lost.

PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

On motion of Mr. PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire, the Senate took up the bill to provide for the paving of Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, which was discussed until the expiration of the morning hour.

THE SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT.

The Constitutional Amendment was then taken up as the unfinished business of yesterday.

The pending amendment was that moved by Mr. STEWART to substitute for the joint resolution as it passed the House, the report of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate: "The right of citizens of the United States to vote and hold office shall not be denied or abridged by the United States, or by any State on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude."

Mr. FERRY addressed the Senate at length upon the subject. He had intended, when he obtained the floor some days ago, to direct his argument to the merits of the proposed amendment to the Constitution; but he now saw that such an argument would be superfluous because the opponents of the measure had changed ground and opposed now, not the amendment itself, but only the proposed way of submitting it to for ratification. The Senator from Kentucky, (Mr. DAVIS,) silent now upon the merits of the amendment, was content to question the right of Congress to submit the amendment at all, because certain States were still unrepresented. The Senator from Indiana, (Mr. HENDRICKS,) silent now in regard to the capacity of the negro for self-government, was content to cite the Chicago Democratic platform as sole appeal. His colleague (Mr. DIXON) had twice during the last fifteen years, committed himself to the extension of the right of suffrage to the disfranchised classes, finding himself compelled by his new affiliations to turn his back upon his past acts and professions; yet he did not attack the principle of the amendment, but contented himself with attempting to defeat it by indirection. The remaining question, therefore, was one of expediency. How can the voice of the people be best obtained on this amendment? That question was answered by the precedents. The preceding Fourteenth Amendment has been submitted to the State Legislatures for ratification. The suggestion that this amendment ought not to be submitted to the existing Legislatures, but Conventions called expressly for that purpose at an expense great to each State, and enormous in the aggregate, was nothing but a politician's after-thought.

Mr. FERRY then made an elaborate vindication of the representative system of Connecticut, which Mr. DIXON had spoken of as a "rotten borough system," and insisted that under it the views of the people were fairly and fully expressed. His colleague had said if that amendment was adopted, Connecticut would cease to be an independent State. That cry coming from that quarter surprised him, because he had heard it before and during the war, from the rebels of the South, and the treasonable Democracy of Connecticut; but the loyal people of that State, and of the country, generally, had trampled it down.

Mr. DIXON inquired whether he (Mr. FERRY) denied that the State of Connecticut is an independent republic?

Mr. FERRY—I do most emphatically.

Mr. DIXON—Let us see whether the doctrine is as my colleague says—"a politician's after-thought." The State of Connecticut provides in her State Constitution that her electors, before voting, shall each take such an oath as shall be prescribed by law; and a part of the oath prescribed is in these words: "You, A B, do solemnly swear that you will be true and faithful to the State of Connecticut, and to the Constitution and Government thereof as a free and independent State?" I took that oath, and the Senator took it, but he seems to have forgotten it.

Mr. SUMNER—What is the date of that Constitution?

Mr. DIXON—Eighteen hundred and eighteen.

Mr. FERRY—My colleague refers to the ordinary official oath taken by the citizens of Connecticut, in which the relations of Connecticut as a State to the Republic of the United States are not specially indicated, and in which it is clearly made known to the citizens that the oath, where the United States is the only independent one in any appropriate sense of those words.

Mr. DIXON—What did my colleague mean when he swore that Connecticut was a free and independent State?

Mr. FERRY—My colleague makes a mistake about our official oath; neither I nor he ever swore that the State of Connecticut was a free and independent State. We swore to be faithful to the Constitution of Connecticut and to the Constitution of the United States.

Mr. DIXON—I ask the Senator now, whether Connecticut is a free and independent State?

Mr. FERRY—In the sense of those words as used by my colleague yesterday, the State of Connecticut is not and has never been since the adoption of the Constitution of the United States a free and independent Republic, because its independence is limited by all the provisions of the Constitution of the United States which control the exercise of the functions of sovereignty.

Mr. DIXON in support of his views of the State independence, and to show that it was not new, quoted from the Constitution of Massachusetts, adopted in 1780, the words: "The people of this Commonwealth have the sole and exclusive right of governing themselves as a free, sovereign and independent State." He then reiterated his views as to the right of each State to regulate suffrage within its own borders, and said that Rev. Dr. BACON, of New-Haven, Conn., a prominent advocate of negro suffrage, took the same view. In answer to a satirical remark by Mr. DIXON, about the extremely rapid progress of the Republican party, Mr. MORTON asked him whether he would have charged the Democratic party with making any progress whatever since the beginning of the war.

Mr. DIXON replied that much as it might surprise the Senator, the accusation had been made. He had seen it charged in a late paper that the Democratic Party of Connecticut had abandoned its old doctrine in regard to payments of bonds, and had declared in favor of paying them in gold. (Laughter.) This was the accusation, but he would not undertake to say the party was guilty. (Laughter.)

Mr. MORTON thought the party had made progress in another direction, as shown by the fact that neither his colleague, (Mr. HENDRICKS,) nor the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DIXON) had ventured to say a word in this debate against the amendment upon its merits, but had confined themselves to opposing the proposed mode of submitting it for ratification. He thought those Senators felt the pressure of public opinion.

Mr. MORTON then briefly discussed the question of the best form of words in which to put the amendment. He objected to the form reported by the Judiciary Committee because it merely provided "no citizen should be deprived of the right to vote or hold office on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude," leaving it still in the power of the States to disqualify for other causes. He liked better the form submitted by Mr. HOWARD yesterday as an amendment, providing that citizens of the United States of African descent shall have the same right to vote and hold office as other citizens; but this, too, was open to objection, because the States might establish an educational test which, while it disqualified some white men, would disqualify most of the blacks. He preferred, therefore, an affirmative amendment declaring who shall have the right of suffrage, making it uniform, and leaving nothing on the subject open to forced construction or to the construction of any State.

Mr. WARNER read an argument in favor of an affirmative amendment.

The Senate took up and passed the bill to provide for the expenses of the Patent Office for January and February, 1869.

Mr. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment, upon which he will speak to-morrow:

Congress shall have power to abolish or modify any restriction to the right to vote or to hold office prescribed by the Constitution or laws of any State.

Then, at 4:30 the Senate took a recess until 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

A few private bills of no public interest were taken up and passed.

RAILROAD LANDS.

On motion of Mr. WILLIAMS, the Senate took up the bill to amend an act granting lands to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from the Central Pacific Railroad in California to Portland, Oregon.

Messrs. WILLIAMS and CORBETT advocated it, and Mr. CONKLING opposed it.

The bill was recommitted.

THE ST. LOUIS ARSENAL.

On motion of Mr. DRAKE, the bill amendatory of the act to provide for the sale of the arsenal grounds at St. Louis was taken up and passed.

LAND APPROPRIATIONS.

On motion of Mr. STEWART, the bill to legalize certain land appropriations and agricultural scrip was taken up.

Mr. CONKLING offered an amendment, providing that the act shall not be construed to affect the location of scrip issued prior to its approval, and also that all such scrip shall be received from actual settlers on the payment of the pre-emption claims.

Mr. RAMSEY opposed the amendment.

Mr. WARNER advocated it, because it would add thirty per cent. to the value of the agricultural scrip of the Southern States, and would thereby aid the cause of education.

Mr. POMEROY moved to strike out the second clause of Mr. CONKLING'S amendment.

The bill was discussed briefly by several Senators, after which the bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. CAMERON, the Senate, at 10 o'clock, adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

After the reading of the journal, the Sergeant-at-Arms appeared at the bar of the House with HENRY JOHNSON in his custody, the recusant witness committed yesterday to his keeping.

Mr. LAWRENCE, of Ohio, Chairman of the Committee on New-York Election Frauds, stated that the witness had appeared before the Committee and testified, and that there seemed to have been a misunderstanding between the witness and the officer who had served the subpœna as to the room at which the Committee had been sitting in New-York. Under these circumstances he offered a resolution that HENRY JOHNSON be discharged from custody.

Mr. BROOKS asked why not say honorably discharged?

Mr. LAWRENCE supposed that that was unnecessary.

Mr. BROOKS thought that it was necessary after casting contempt upon the man, and bringing him to Washington under arrest.

Mr. WOODWARD remarked that the only effect of the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LAWRENCE) refusing to admit the statement of the witness yesterday, as to his having obeyed the summons, had been the disgraceful incarceration of a free man for twenty-four hours.

Mr. ROBINSON made the point of order, that the word disgraceful, used by Mr. WOODWARD, was a more severe expression than he himself had been called to order for yesterday.

The Speaker sustained the point of order. The witness had been incarcerated by order of the House and it was not proper for a gentleman to denounce the action of the House as disgraceful.

Mr. WOODWARD remarked that the expression was strictly correct.

The SPEAKER—The Chair, however, decides otherwise.

Mr. WOODWARD—The House was led to its decision by the gentleman from Ohio refusing to accept the statement of the witness yesterday. Then the House, very properly, I think, committed him to the custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms; but the House was misled into that act by the gentleman from Ohio.

The SPEAKER—As the Chair views this question from a parliamentary, not a judicial standpoint, the Chair cannot see how a disgraceful act can be very properly done.

Mr. WOODWARD—If I used that word I withdraw it. I say, however, that if the gentleman from Ohio had accepted the statement made yesterday, the House would not have done the very proper act of committing this citizen. I think an apology is due him by the gentleman from Ohio.

Mr. LAWRENCE said he had no apology to make. After some further discussion the resolution was agreed to, and HENRY JOHNSON was discharged from custody.

The Sergeant-at-Arms next presented at the bar the other recusant witness, FLORENCE SCANNEL.

Mr. LAWRENCE offered a resolution for the discharge of SCANNEL from custody, on payment of the costs of arrest.

Mr. ROSS asked the Chairman of the Committee whether he was not willing to let the witness off without payment of costs. He understood that the reason why the witness had refused to answer was because his answer would criminate a leading Republican in the City of New-York. [Laughter.] If that was the case, he hoped the witness would be let off.

Mr. LAWRENCE said he had no choice as to what the House should do in the case. He had always supposed that this was the usual and proper course. He thought it due to the dignity of the House that at least the punishment proposed by the resolution should be visited on this witness.

Mr. KERR thought that the witness should be discharged without payment of costs. He was a poor man, and he would have to get home the best way he could, as he would not be paid for his attendance as a witness. He would therefore be sufficiently punished without being compelled to pay the costs of his arrest. He moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "on payment of the costs of his arrest."

Mr. WOOD inquired of the Speaker what would be done with the witness if he were unable to pay the cost of his arrest; was he to remain in custody?

The Speaker said he could not answer that question as it was not a parliamentary question.

Mr. FARNSWORTH proposed that the member whose constituent the witness was should pay the cost.

Mr. WOOD said he was not the witness' representative; but he wished to know what would be done if the witness could not pay?

Mr. SCHENCK suggested that it would be in order to draw on some rich Democrat like the gentleman, (Mr. WOOD.)

Mr. BROOKS desired to answer Mr. FARNSWORTH's proposition—but the question was taken on Mr. KERR'S amendment, which was rejected, yeas 37, nays 139.

The resolution was then adopted by a vote of 134 to 26, and the Sergeant-at-Arms retired with his prisoner. The cost of arrest is about $70.

RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Mr. WOODWARD introduced a joint resolution changing the name of Wyoming Territory to that of Umatilla. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. ARCHER presented a memorial of the Butchers' Association of Baltimore, &c., praying a reduction of the tariff on salt.

Messrs. UPSON and FERRY presented resolutions of the Michigan Legislature, in favor of the passage of the River and Harbor Appropriation bill, now before the Senate.

Mr. NICHOLSON offered resolutions calling on the Secretaries of War and the Treasury as to surveys of the harbor at the Delaware Breakwater, with a view to the erection of a pier. Adopted.

TONNAGE DUTIES.

Mr. ELIOT, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a bill repealing the act of July 20, 1834, and the first, second and fourth sections of the act of July 13, 1832, concerning tonnage duties on Spanish vessels, and those of her colonies, where no discriminating duties are levied on United States vessels, shall be exempt in United States ports from tonnage greater than those on vessels of the United States. After explanation by Mr. ELIOT, the bill was passed.

THE TAX BILL.

Mr. SCHENCK said he was instructed by the Committee of Ways and Means to propose that there be no action to-night on the Tax bill, as the whisky and tobacco amendments were not yet printed, and the Committee wanted to revise them, but that the evening session should be held for general debate.

Mr. WOODWARD inquired whether Mr. SCHENCK was serious in desiring final action on the bill at this session, in view of the fact, which he believed was generally understood by both Houses, that the Senate could not possibly take it up and act upon it.

Mr. SCHENCK replied that he was very serious about it. The proposition for an evening session for general debate was agreed to.

Mr. MOORHEAD wanted to have the tariff taken up this evening, but objection was made.

DESTRUCTION OF TAX LISTS.

Mr. SCHENCK, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported the joint resolution introduced by Mr. THOMAS, authorizing the allowance and credit to FRED SCHLEY, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Fourth District of Maryland, of such amount of uncollected tax as he might show to have been uncollected by reason of the destruction of his tax lists and accounts by rebel forces during the recent rebellion. After explanation the bill was passed.

THE INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

The amendments reported by the Committee of the Whole on the Indian Appropriation bill were then taken up and acted on by the House.

Mr. GARFIELD moved to recommit the bill with instructions to report back an additional section transferring the Indian Bureau to the War Department.

On a point of order, made by Mr. WINDOM, the motion to recommit was ruled out of order.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, desired the House to understand that the bill now under consideration would not pay the Indian expenditures by some $8,000,000, of the system were carried forward which the Peace Commission had begun and which was now in process of execution. That plan would cost from six to seven million dollars a year.

Mr. GARFIELD took occasion to denounce the Indian Bureau as one more thoroughly corrupt than any other branch of administration that he had ever heard of. The very nature of that service was one which allowed all the baser and more corrupt passions to effloresce and develop themselves. He declared that he never would vote for any appropriations of money that were to flow through the unclean channels of the Indian Bureau.

Mr. WINDOM replied to the remarks of Mr. GARFIELD, and asked him why, if the Indian Bureau service were so corrupting as the gentleman from Ohio described it, he was so anxious to turn it over to his friends, the military officers. If the Chairman of the Military Committee (Mr. GARFIELD) would look after the stealings of military men in the commutation of fuel, quarters, &c., he would find that more money was stolen every year, actually stolen, than there was appropriated for the whole Indian service of the country. He was not here to defend the Indian service; he had endeavored on various occasions to prevent this corruption, and had brought in a measure which would have prevented it, but the gentleman from Ohio had met it, as he always did, with his tranafer to the War Department as a cure for the evil.

Mr. CLARKE, of Kansas, a member of the Committee on Indian Affairs, said that he agreed in the main with the proposition of the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. GARFIELD,) and disagreed with the Chairman of the Indian Committee. He argued that the present bill should not pass, if for no other reason than the abuse of the treaty-making power.

The Speaker interfered, and said it was clearly out of order to reflect upon the official conduct of a coequal branch of the Government.

Mr. CLARKE said he would take that back. He went on to argue, however, against the corrupt system of Indian treaties, and against the passage of the bill.

Mr. PRUYN said that he was in favor of some change in the Indian system. How was it that the Quakers and the Catholic missionaries got on so well with the Indians? How was it that one Roman Catholic priest (Father DE SMET) had more influence with the Indian tribes on this Continent than any other man living?

Mr. WINDOM said he could answer the question. It was because the Quakers and the Catholic priests when they made a bargain with the Indians kept it, and the Government did not.

Mr. PRUYN said he was glad to hear that answer. It showed that the whole Indian system was wrong, and that a different system must be tried. He was willing that the transfer to the War Department should be tried, so as to see whether its vigor, its efficiency and its ability to deal with its subordinates would not at least improve that service. If retribution from Heaven were visited upon man for his sins here, it would be visited upon the American people for their sins against the unoffending Indians, unless the corrupt system was changed and the Indians were hereafter dealt with honestly, faithfully and in the true spirit of Christianity and obligation.

Mr. HOLBROOK, the delegate from Idaho, having obtained the floor from Mr. BUTLER, proceeded to discuss the Indian question, and in the course of his remarks used these words: "The gentleman having charge of this bill saw fit to silence the delegates here by raising points of order and making assertions which he knew at the time he made them to be unqualifiedly false."

The Speaker interrupted and called the delegate to order.

Mr. BENJAMIN asked that the offensive words be taken down.

Mr. BUTLER remarked that he had not heard what had been said.

Mr. HOLBROOK was beginning to repeat the offensive language, when

The Speaker again interrupted him and said it would be improper for him to repeat it. The objectionable words having been written by the reporter and read by the Clerk,

The Speaker in a severe tone said: The Chair rules these words to be out of order, both as being unparliamentary and indecorous. When a gentleman declares that a member has stated on the floor of the House what he knew to be unqualifiedly false, he uses the most insulting language that can be uttered on the floor of a parliamentary body.

Mr. HOLBROOK was about to make some remark, when Mr. BENJAMIN, interrupting him, said he objected to the delegate proceeding until he retracted what he said.

Mr. HOLBROOK—I do not propose to retract one word of what I have said.

The SPEAKER—The delegate from Idaho refuses to retract his words.

Mr. HOLBROOK—Does the Chair rule?

The SPEAKER—The Chair has ruled that the remarks of the gentleman were not only unparliamentary, but were as insulting as could be made on the floor of a parliamentary body.

Mr. HOLBROOK—I desire to ask a question.

The SPEAKER—The Chair can hold no debate with the gentleman.

Mr. CHANLER appealed from the decision of the Chair, as being contrary to a decision which he had made before, in reference to language used by Mr. LOGAN.

The SPEAKER—The Chair can hold no controversy with the gentleman from New-York, or any other gentleman, in relation to other decisions; every decision stands by itself on the words used, and is subject to appeal at the time.

Mr. CHANLER—I withdraw the appeal.

Mr. SCHENCK offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That E. D. HOLBROOK, delegate from the Territory of Idaho, having uttered the following language (quoting it) distinctly and in the presence of the House, and refused to retract the same, be immediately brought to the bar of the House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, and severely censured by the Speaker.

The resolution was adopted without a division, and the Speaker directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to bring Mr. HOLBROOK to the bar of the House.

The Sergeant-at-Arms having executed this order, and presented Mr. HOLBROOK,

The Speaker, addressing the delegate, said: "Mr. HOLBROOK, oftentimes, in the discussion of exciting questions in deliberative bodies, language is used which, when attention is drawn to it, is promptly withdrawn. We are all fallible, and liable to yield sometimes to the temptation of indulging in remarks that are not seemingly proper; but when language that is used is offensive in its character, and which was apparently, from the construction of the sentence, intended to be insulting, and when an opportunity has been given for its withdrawal that opportunity is not taken advantage of, thus reiterating the insult, it has always been deemed censurable by the body with which both members are connected. This instance, in the opinion of the House, is of that character, and the House has instructed its Speaker to pronounce you at this bar. I pronounce upon you, therefore, by the order of the House, its censure for that language. You will now resume your seat.

Mr. HOLBROOK then retired, and the discussion of the Indian Appropriation bill was resumed.

Mr. BUTLER, without stopping to comment on the incidents that had interrupted the discussion, said that the solution of the Indian question was not to be found either in the War Department or in the Indian Department. In either case there would be found such great temptation to do w

OCEAN STEAMERS.

The National Steamship Company of Delaware.

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In reply to the letter signed "Navigator," which appears in the TIMES of this date, I beg permission to state that the Steamship bill, which was criticised and condemned in the letter which you did me the favor to publish on Saturday last, is Senate bill No. 807. The title and opening section of the bill are thus stated in the official copy of the bill, from which the extracts embodied in my letter were cut:

In the Senate of the United States, Jan. 19, 1869, Mr. CONNESS asked, and by unanimous consent obtained, leave to bring in the following bill, which was read twice, referred to the Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, and ordered to be printed:

A BILL to provide for a line of United States mail steamships for the conveyance of mails and emigrant passengers between New-York and Europe.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of America in Congress assembled, That the Postmaster-General is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to forth with contract with the National Steamship Company, whose directors and officers are Rufus Ingalis, President; George K. Otis, Secretary; John C. Farrell, D. W. C. Wheeler, George L. Strathbury, Peter Lehrk, A. B. Steinbergen, A. Babcock, A. Pleasonton, C. Goddard, Treasurer, a corporation existing under a special charter granted by the State of Delaware, for the transportation by the mails of the United States, weekly or semi-weekly, between the port of New-York and the ports of Europe, under and in accordance with the provisions of this act. One departure from each week shall be between New-York and Liverpool, touching at Queenstown; the other departure in each week shall be between New-York, or other suitable port, and Antwerp, or a Prussian port, at the option of the Company. The steaming in the latter shall touch at a port on the south coast of England.

If this is not the bill of the National Steamship Company, of the State of Delaware, pray what bill is it? And what is the bill of the National Steamship Company if this is not it? The Senate copies of the bill, from which the published extracts were taken, were sent to me on Thursday last, by a Senator of the United States, and up to that time the bill had not been amended or withdrawn. The assertion made by "Navigator," that the bill referred to "is not the bill of the National Steamship Company at present before Congress," is an extraordinary statement, which "Navigator" would hardly have ventured to make if he had taken the trouble to examine a copy of the bill. As the case now stands, he is bound either to retract or explain his statement, which charges me with the grave offence of using some other bill, and crediting its iniquitous conditions to the bill of the National Steamship Company. His statement is utterly false, as you will perceive by the evidence which I send with this.

If the National Company's bill, No. 807, introduced by Senator CONNESS, has been withdrawn since Saturday, and another and less objectionable bill substituted in behalf of either the National or American Company, referred to in "Navigator's" letter, he would have served the interests of the Company better by stating the fact, instead of seeking to repudiate the bill which really belongs to the Company, and which bears evidence of great care in its preparation, and is altogether in favor of the Company and against the Government.

"Navigator's" assertion, that the "National Company is composed of men of large capital, who can and will do all they promise," may be quite true. It is not men, but measures, that are under consideration, and no amount of personal respectability in applicants for Government bounty will justify the grants which the National Company asks for in bill 807. They may have only financial interests at heart, so far as the country is view; if so, they have taken a strange way of showing their disinterestedness. Their bill carefully guards the Company from liability or risk, and does not provide for the contribution of a single dollar of private capital toward the construction of the steamers, wharves, emigrant depots, &c. The Government, on the other hand, is asked to advance all the capital, and has not a single guarantee that the money will be properly applied.

If the promoters of the National Steamship Company of the State of Delaware have really withdrawn their obnoxious bill and abandoned their project of building steamships with the Government money, they have done a wise and creditable act, and if "Navigator" is interested with them, or for them, he could have done them a good turn by frankly stating that the Company had determined upon a change of base. Instead of doing so, he has chosen to make a statement which only seems to blacken a project which was already very dark.

Yours truly,
COMMERCE.

FINANCIAL.

Reply to Peter Cooper on the Currency Question.

BROADWAY, CORNER CHAMBERS-STREET, }
NEW-YORK, Feb. 3, 1869. }

Peter Cooper, Esq.:

MY DEAR SIR: In your letter, published in the TIMES of this morning, you hinge the power to make the Treasury Notes of the Government a legal tender upon the clause authorizing Congress "to borrow money on the credit of the United States."

The danger of such an interpretation is this: That you make "Legal Tender" one of the ordinary powers of Congress, which may be exercised in peace as well as war.

I have examined the subject with great care, and am of the opinion that it is an extraordinary power, which may be resorted to only in war, and then from that supreme necessity which results from the application of the precious metals—the sinews of war.

As Congress may pass all laws which are "necessary and proper" for carrying into effect the specific war powers, and as this one is a known and recognized means to accomplish victory, witness the experience of Great Britain from 1797 to 1821, it is clearly in this view constitutional.

Your interpretation would permit not only an indefinite continuation of our present abnormal condition, but also indefinite expansion at any time, and you may rely upon it that a powerful debtor interest, braced up to an acknowledged constitutional power, will never consent, if such is the case, to make their debts a greater burden than they now are; on the contrary, in every panic, this interest will go irresistibly the other way.

I notice with apprehension that you favor a continuation of the present system, and would increase our inability to compete in foreign markets with foreign industry by giving increased power to the paper issued by National Banks, making them legal tenders which would be equivalent to an additional issue.

If I am right, that the Constitution restricts the power to make paper a tender to the emergency of actual war, then as we are now at peace there is no constitutional authority for what you claim. If you suppose that there is constitutional power for making the bills of the National Banks in time of peace a legal tender, what are its limitations? Where is it found? They are not the notes of the Government issued under the power to borrow money, and if they were, "to borrow" implies repayment, assent returns, whereas legal tender involves command and creates a forced loan appurtenant to war. The power to borrow includes that "to issue evidences of debt" by the Government, but this does not apply to issues of National Banks.

I have been so long accustomed to regard you as a safe counselor in affairs of Government that I should hesitate to say, if my convictions were not clear, that the only policy which can be pursued with safety when the time arrives is that adopted by Great Britain.

She encourages the circulation of £95,000,000 in gold, silver and copper coins among the people over and above £15,000,000 in the Bank of England, (equal to $625,500,000 gold,) by rigidly excluding all small notes.

England has unquestionably the soundest currency of any banking system, and it is due much to this that she commands the command of the world. Her whole circulating medium amounts to about £134,000,000, of which £110,000,000 is composed of coin chiefly of gold. "This constitutes a pyramid standing securely on its base.

Our circulating medium, including coin, in the Pacific States, and what is partially demonetized in the Sub-Treasury and banks and in hoards, amounts to, perhaps, $1,000,000,000, of which $745,506,353 (according to Senator SHERMAN'S estimate) is paper. This, but for the Legal-tender Act, would be considered an inverted pyramid. The problem to be solved by Congress is how to convert this artificial structure, propped up by that act, into one like that of England, which stands up of itself. With coal not in deep mines as in England, with a virgin and rich soil; with a settler population on a scale unknown to other people; with means of communication in rivers, canals and railroads unsurpassed in natural advantages on the globe; with unsatisfied industry, skill and energy in our population, and with a climate capable of producing all that is required for food or luxury within reach of and to an extent elsewhere unknown, the United States would to-day have been the masters in controlling the world's commerce and industry, if from the very origin of our Government our finances had not been prostituted with paper money, which many of our public men would fasten upon the country forever.

How can you affirm that our currency is good when it consists of printed promises to pay dollars, which the promise in circulation constantly expels? A dollar is a coin of gold weighing 25 8-10 grains, or of silver 412½ grains, both with alloys. You can form no other idea of a dollar than as it is thus fabricated.

The promise authorized by the Legal-tender act of February, 1862, and those which follow it, is to pay one or the other of these coins. The word dollar has no other signification. No idea of what it means can be formed except by appealing to the standard. But yet habit has so strangely affected the human intellect that the promise is supposed to be endowed with the capacity for permanent existence and effective use independently of the thing promised, which is the most dangerous delusion that can befall a commercial people.

What we promise to do, we should be ready and willing to do at the first opportunity. No sophistry can change this rule, or show that it is consistent with integrity or success to omit this clear duty any longer than the imperious demands of the war, whose ends we are now tying up, require.

Our mastery in commerce will be delayed till we reach this solid ground.

Yours, very respectfully,
GEO. B. BUTLER.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

The East River Suspension Bridge Project.

The regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday, Hon. WM. E. DODGE presiding. Between twelve and fifteen members were present. Mr. GEO. L. NICHOLS was elected a member of the Chamber, and Mr. GEO. W. LANE added to the Committee on Arbitration.

The report of the delegates who attended the National Convention at Cincinnati was read, accepted, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. BUCK, SNOW, and LOW. Objection was raised by Mr. BUCK against that part of the report recommending putting English vessels under the American flag the same as our own. Mr. LOW objected to granting national assistance to two new Pacific Railways, which the report also recommended.

Mr. ORDIKE presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted without discussion:

Resolved, The secret sale of Government bonds and gold has a disturbing influence on the money market, and is calculated to engender suspicion against the Treasury Department of unfairness and favoritism; therefore,

Resolved, That this Chamber respectfully but earnestly recommends the passage of the bill now before the United States Senate prohibiting such sales.

Mr. BUCK offered resolutions respecting the East River Bridge, as follows:

Whereas, The Congress of the United States has been petitioned to grant permission for the erection of a suspension bridge across the East River, and to make a post road of the same; and

Whereas, The subject of bridges, tunnels and docks for the East River is one of the highest importance to the interests of commerce and the population of our cities; and

Whereas, It is doubtful if the suspension bridge is best suited to the present and future wants of our community, and other plans have been proposed; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair to examine this subject in all its parts, and particularly in reference to the commerce of our port, and to make a report thereon, this day two weeks, with such recommendations as in its judgment may seem best to meet the wants in question.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed by the President and Secretary, be sent to the New-York Senators at Washington, with a request that the United States Senate may suspend action on the bridge question until after the action of this Chamber.

Mr. BUCK said that he had little faith in the proposed bridge. It would certainly be an impediment to navigation, and people were not going to mount up 150 feet, and then walk over the long stretch when the ferry-boats were in easy reach.

The President, Mr. DODGE, hoped the Chamber would carefully consider what action to take in the matter, as the project was a great one. The minds of many were not made up yet how to regard it.

Mr. ORDYKE opposed the resolutions on the ground that some bridge might be built against which no objection could be made. He did not want Congress to suspend action on the subject of bridging the river. The plans and kind of bridge could be decided on afterwards.

Mr. GEORGE W. DOW strongly opposed the erection of a suspension bridge. It was proposed to have the bridge 140 feet high, while the masts of some of our men-of-war are 165 feet high. Then the bridge would certainly require guys, which would occupy 1,000 feet each side for their attachments. Its cost would be $20,000,000, and he had heard some engineers estimate it at $35,000,000. He had no doubt that when it was up it would have to be pulled down like the Broadway bridge.

Mr. SAMUEL TOUCEY did not want the chamber to put itself on record against the bridge. Eventually nothing but steamers would pass under it, and they carry very low masts. The increasing population of the two cities demanded something like the proposed means of communication between them.

On vote, the resolutions were passed, Messrs. ORDYKE, Low and TOUCEY voting in the negative.

The Chair appointed as the Committee "to examine the subject in all its parts," Messrs. H. R. WORCESTER, TOUCEY and ORDYKE.

Several communications were read by the Secretary and referred to the proper Committees.

One of them was from the Secretary of the National Board of Trade, stating that the expenses of the Cincinnati Convention were $7,000, and that the assessment on the New-York Chamber was $380; another was from the Comptroller of the Central Park, as follows;

NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1868.

George Wilson, Esq., Secretary Chamber of Commerce:

SIR: I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 4th inst. and the accompanying resolution of the Chamber of Commerce. The Commissioners of the Park gladly accept the valuable instrument referred to in the resolution, (a barometer,) and hope to make it useful at the Park Observatory. The action of the Chamber of Commerce on this subject leads the Commissioners of the Park to believe that the merchants of the City will readily lend their influence wherever the way is open to the establishment of a meteorological and astronomical observatory that shall be adequate to the needs of modern and to the necessities of the commercial and agricultural industries of the whole country. In a very humble way, the foundations of such an establishment have already been laid in the Park, and the Commissioners hope soon to develop and conduct within the limits of the Park an observatory that may take rank in practical usefulness and in scientific value with those at Greenwich and Paris. I am very respectfully,

AND. H. GREEN, Comptroller of the Park.

The Chamber then adjourned for two weeks.

The New Protestant Episcopal Church of the Heavenly Rest.

A new Episcopal place of worship, entitled the Church of the Heavenly rest, will be opened on Sunday next, and has already found proprietors for many of its pews. It stands near the northeast corner of Fifth-avenue and Forty-fifth-street. The two rectors will be Rev. ROBERT SHAW HOWLAND and Rev. DR. T. K. CONRAD, under the auspices of both of whom the enterprise was initiated a year ago. The building is of brick, and is 100 feet long by 75 wide. It at present stands back upon its lot, but next year the front will be removed, and replaced by a richly ornamented facade of Dorchester stone, in a line with the street, and surmounted by a figure of Jesus and two angels. A transept will also be added, which will make the building 160 feet long by 95 wide. The interior presents a most agreeable effect, and has no galleries. The ceiling and immediately-adjoining sides are of ultramarine blue, supported by richly carved rafters of fawn color. The lower walls are temporarily of a light yellow, and will receive a final coloring on the enlargement of the church. Beautiful windows of stained glass are to be found in every direction. The columns are of imported Irish marble and Aberdeen granite. Their colors are a pale red and green. The capitals are of white Dorchester stone, beautifully carved, and surmounted by gas jets. A novel feature of the chancel is a richly carved Gothic baldacchino of black walnut, similar to those used in European cathedrals. It is supported by columns of white marble, crowned with capitals of brass. The centre and side tablets are, at present, blue, but the former will soon be filled with a painting of Christ in Glory, and the latter with angels upon a gilded ground, after the style of Fra Angelico. The altar is of black walnut, covered with a purple cloth. This will be replaced by a white cloth at Easter, and one of crimson during the balance of the year. The pulpit is also of black walnut, covered with delicate carvings, and containing the inscription of "Jesus the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls." Seats of the same material are provided in the chancel for the choir, which will consist of men and boys. The reading desk is composed of a column of brass surmounted by a spread eagle of that metal. The organ is of black walnut, with pipes of blue, crimson, and gold. It is now in a corner of the church, but a loft will ultimately be built for it. The pews are of butternut, upholstered with crimson. This color is also that of the carpets. In connection with the church there is a commodious vestry room, and a Sunday School room in the basement. The sermon next Sunday morning will be preached by Rev. Dr. HOWLAND. In the afternoon, Rev. Dr. WESTON, of Trinity Church, will officiate, and Rev. Dr. CONRAD will deliver a discourse in the evening. A very large attendance may be expected on each occasion.

Electric Railway Signal.

A number of scientific men interested in railroads were present at Newark yesterday afternoon at an exhibition of HALL'S Electric Switch and Drawbridge Signal on the Morris and Essex Railroad. The apparatus is very simple and effective. Wires from a galvanic battery are so connected with the switch that when the switch is turned to interrupt the main track the two poles of the battery are brought in contact and the electric current established. The wires pass up into an elevated signal that looks like a target, with a glass centre as large as a dinner-plate. The galvanism magnetizes a bar of iron, and this swings up a red disc over the glass centre. As soon as the switch is replaced the red disc swings back out of sight. One switch may be connected with any number of signals, one signal with any number of switches. The drawing of the key to the drawbridge produces the same effect as opening the switch. A bell signal is operated in the same way, the hammer being kept in motion by an intermittent current; and this serves to attract attention if a switch is carelessly left open. As to the actual working of the machine, a letter is received from Superintendent HOYT, of the New-Haven Road, in which he states that the signals had been in operation on that road for eighteen months, and worked as perfectly new as when they were first set up. Mr. SCHOCH, Assistant Superintendent of the Morris and Essex Road, said the signals were all that could be desired. Representatives of the Erie Railway, the Lehigh Valley, Jersey Central, Philadelphia and Reading, and other roads were present and were favorably impressed. The first cost of the apparatus is not great, and the subsequent expense of working it is a mere trifle.

THE TIN BOX ROBBERY.

Arrest on a Charge of Stealing $150,000 Worth of Bonds from the Office of Cambreleng & Pyne—Part of the Plunder Recovered.

Mention has already been made in the TIMES that on New-Year's Day two large tin cash boxes, containing $150,000 worth of United States bonds, railroad securities and ready money were stolen from the law office of Messrs. CAMBRELENG & PYNE, at No. 14 Wall-street, when three or four doors were deftly opened with false keys, and the interior of a large office safe was also gained by the same means. The robbery created considerable stir in Wall-street for three or four days until another case occurred in King-street, and the matter was soon forgotten in the excitement over the later sensation. Ever since the larceny of these tin boxes and their valuable contents the detectives have been hard at work in the vain endeavor to gain a clew to the identity of the thieves. The firm had two or three private detectives in their pay, and the detectives at Headquarters were, of course, hot in the chase after the missing bonds, in hopes of gaining the large reward offered. Detective MCCORD, of the Central Office, and Capt. JOURDAN, of the Sixth Ward, came into possession of a series of slight clews, and they, assisted by Detectives WALDRIDGE and DUNN, of the Sixth Precinct, worked the trail so well that a few days ago a man named JOHN DOBBS found himself a prisoner, and the officers had sufficient evidence to show that he was one of the gang who had committed the larceny. Justice DOWLING was consulted, and he permitted the prisoner to be retained at the Franklin-street Police-station for the purpose of having the case still further worked up to a satisfactory conclusion. To such good purpose was the time employed that Capt. JOURDAN appeared yesterday before Justice DOWLING at the Tombs and testified that on the 24th of January he arrested JOHN DOBBS on suspicion of being connected with the larceny of bonds and securities from the office of CAMBRELENG & PYNE, at No. 14 Wall-street, in this City; that he went into a conversation with DOBBS relative to the larceny, and he at first denied all knowledge of the transaction, but on deponent pressing him he finally stated that the said robbery was committed by one CHARLES KING and himself, and that he (DOBBS) was to receive the sum of $5,000 as his share of the proceeds of the said larceny, but instead of that amount the said KING gave the said DOBBS the sum of $1,000 and a number of securities and bonds which answer the description of part of those stolen from the office of CAMBRELENG & PYNE, and that the description of said securities, which was given to this deponent by the said DOBBS is as follows: One $10,000 five-twenty registered bond, No. 10,-854; six $1,000 five-twenty registered bonds, Nos. 21,544, 8,900, 8,901, 2,846, 2,129 and 7,474; three $500 registered bonds, Nos. 6,051, 1,176 and 754; two $100 ten-forty registered bonds, Nos. 923 and 924; one $50 registered bond, No. 95—all of which bonds are the same as is detailed and specified in the printed statement or schedule annexed to the deponent's affidavit; that he (DOBBS) also gave to deponent the two Pacific Railroad bonds, Nos. 16,197 and 16,198, which deponent has in his possession, and which the said DOBBS stated were stolen at the same time from the same office.

Mr. FREDERICK NETTLETON, one of the employes of Messrs. CAMBRELENG & PYNE, at No. 14 Wall-street, also appeared before the Magistrate, and made an affidavit, in which he recited the facts of the robbery, and of the larceny, and stated that the two tin boxes then stolen contained a number of United States and railroad bonds, petroleum company stock shares and bonds, insurance company bonds, and other securities, all of the aggregate value of $150,000, and were the property of Messrs. CAMBRELENG & PYNE. He also stated that he had reason to believe that one CHARLES KING and JOHN DOBBS had committed the said larceny.

Justice DOWLING took the papers in the case and announced that he would commit DOBBS for trial without bail. He would reflect that the affidavits be sent before the Grand Jury at an early day. The prisoner, DOBBS, was then formally arraigned, and stated that he is 24 years of age, a native of New-York, resides at No. 9 James-slip, and is a moulder by trade. In answer to the charge preferred against him, DOBBS made the following statements: "The affidavits which have been read in my presence are correct, and I have given every facility in my power to aid the complainants in the recovery of their property and the arrest of the conveyor of the robbery, through the instrumentality of Capt. JOURDAN. Under the advice of my counsel I say I am not guilty." The prisoner was then conducted to a cell in the Tombs.

Presentation of Ward's "Indian Hunter" to the Central Park.

The following correspondence explains itself:

NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.

Hon. Andrew H. Green, Comptroller of Central Park:

DEAR SIR: We have much pleasure in presenting, through you, to the Central Park, the admirable statue in bronze, heroic size, of "The Indian Hunter," by J. Q. A. WARD, sculptor. Both in Europe and America it justly ranks among the best examples of the plastic art of the day, for its vigorous treatment and its faithful delineation. We have peculiar satisfaction in placing at your disposal a work of truly American in subject and so admirably executed by one of our native and most celebrated sculptors. We trust it may find a fitting place in the great Park which is so much admired and appreciated, not only by our citizens, but by all who visit this Metropolis. In behalf of the subscribers to the "Indian Hunter Fund," we are, very respectfully, yours, Lucius Tuckerman, *Le Grand* Lockwood, Robert Hoe, Cyrus Butler, Henry G. Stebbins, Samuel G. Ward, H. Pierpont Morgan, R. M. Oliphant, William E. Dodge, Jr., Charles S. Smith, Sheppard Gandy, John Taylor Johnston, William T. Blodgett, J. F. Kensett, William H. Fogg, James Bell, Thomas Hamilton, Richard M. Hunt, D. Huntington, H. G. Marquand, James McKaye, F. C. Hawkins, W. H. Raynor, Committee of the "Indian Hunter Fund."

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF }
CENTRAL PARK, BANK OF COMMERCE BUILDING, }
NO. 31 NASSAU-STREET, NEW-YORK, Jan. 30.

GENTLEMEN: I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your communication of 28th inst., presenting to the Central Park a statue in bronze, heroic size, of "The Indian Hunter," J. Q. A. WARD, sculptor. The Commissioners of the Park, fully concurring in your high estimation of the ability shown by the distinguished artist in the conception and execution of this beautiful work, will receive it with satisfaction, as a great attractions to those already existing at the Park. The Commissioners value highly the sentiments you so kindly express respecting the work under their charge, and accept the trust for themselves as on behalf of all those to whom your distinguished liberality affords the opportunity to admire the extensive proportions of this justly celebrated statue, and the faithful rendering of a peculiarly American subject, to tender to you their warmest and most appreciative acknowledgments. I am, with great respect, yours, very sincerely,

ANDREW H. GREEN,
Comptroller of the Park.

To Messrs. LUCIUS TUCKERMAN, LE GRAND LOCKWOOD, ROBERT HOE, CYRUS BUTLER, HENRY G. STEBBINS, and others.

The Fruit Growers' Club.

This Club convened yesterday, at the usual time and place; and the hour and a half was frittered away in unprofitable discussion of topics that no one pretends to know anything about. For example, a long discussion ensued concerning protection of fruit trees and buds of bearing vines from the influence of the Winter, or sunshine, or from cold winds. The abettors of one theory contended that all protection should be placed on the sunny side of everything; while their opponents held that whatever is employed as a protection should be placed on the opposite side. In the Old World it was stated that espaliers have been recommended in the cultivation of fruit of all kinds. This fact was adduced to prove that protection should be placed on the shady, not the sunny side of trees and vines. Dr. F. M. HEXAMER affirmed that the chief point in protecting strawberry vines during the Winter by means of a mulch of straw or tan-bark, is to shield the plants from the pernicious influence of the sun rather than the cold. No conclusion, however, was reached as to the true source of the injury to fruit trees and vines during cold weather. Shrewd guessers guessed that the injury is attributable to the sunshine before the growing season has commenced. They also contended that cold weather alone does not destroy the buds. But those who maintain the opposite theory affirmed that when the temperature of the weather is not lower than 10° below zero, the fruit buds are not injured. But when the thermometer indicates twelve or eighteen degrees below zero, the peach buds will be destroyed whether there is sunshine or not.

The discussion was then switched off on another tangent, as to whether squashes and pumpkins are vegetables or berries. The last half hour was appropriated to the discussion of sales-fairs, in connection with exhibitions of fruit and flowers. No paper was read, as had been anticipated.

Another Outrage upon a Female.

MARY SWEENEY, a woman past middle age, appeared before Justice LEDWITH at the Essex Market Police Court yesterday, and made affidavit that on the previous night, while she was wandering in Water-street in search of a Station-house where she might lodge, she accosted a man with an inquiry as to the nearest Station-house. The man answered that he would show her, and having gone with her a short distance, and reached a deserted part of the street, threw her out upon the pavement, and in spite of the feeble resistance her little strength enabled her to make, he succeeded in violating her person. He was soon afterward arrested upon complaint and upon being arraigned yesterday before the Magistrate was committed without bail for trial at the General Sessions. He gave the name of MICHAEL CROWLEY, and said he is a cartman, and 20 years of age. He denied his guilt in strong terms.

Immigration.

From the statistics furnished by the Commissioners of Emigration, it appears that during the month of January 5,777 passengers were landed at Castle Garden, as follows:

Ports of Departure.	Vessels.	Bondable Passengers.	Passengers not Liable to Bond.
Liverpool.....	23	5,256	117
London.....	1	173	6
Glasgow.....	4	278	29
Hamburg.....	5	1,451	2
Bremen.....	7	1,464	7
Total.....	39	5,622	155

Their destinations were as follows: Canada, 44; California, 86; Connecticut, 47; District of Columbia, 5; Georgia, 1; Illinois, 706; Iowa, 134; Indiana, 93; Kentucky, 13; Kansas, 19; Louisiana, 3; Massachusetts, 85; Maryland, 16; Maine, 5; Michigan, 230; Minnesota, 40; Missouri, 91; Mississippi, 10; New-Hampshire, 2; Nova Scotia, 2; New-York, 2,295; New-Jersey, 157; Nebraska, 4; North Carolina, 8; Rhode Island, 35; Ohio, 309; Pennsylvania, 733; South Carolina, 1; South America, 6; Texas, 3; Tennessee, 10; Vermont, 3; Wyoming, 2; Virginia, 35; Wisconsin, 4; Colorado, 2.

Board of Aldermen.

This Board met, pursuant to adjournment, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the President, THOMAS COMAN, in the chair. A resolution was presented and laid over, donating $372 to St. Andrew's Church, in order to pay an assessment upon their property.

A resolution was presented and referred to the Committee on Street Openings, in favor of opening Tompkins-street from Stanton-street to Eighth-street.

A large number of resolutions were presented and laid over, to pave various streets with Belgian pavement.

Concurrence was had with the Board of Assistant Aldermen in adopting a resolution authorizing the appointment of a Joint Special Committee from both branches of the Common Council "to devise measures to remedy the fearfully dirty condition of our City, and, if necessary, to obtain a legislative enactment upon the subject." The President appointed as the Committee upon the part of this Board, Aldermen CUDDY, WARD, O'BRIEN, REPPER and MCGRATH.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next.

Another Burglary.

Yesterday morning, at an early hour, JOHN O'DONNELL, of No. 102 Tenth-avenue, discovered that his store had been entered by burglars, who had forced open the outer door. Upon going in he encountered the burglar, one JOHN COFFEE, in the store, and grappled with him at once. COFFEE, however, dealt O'DONNELL a staggering blow in the face with some sharp instrument, and managed to escape from the building. He was, however, captured in the immediate vicinity by Officer LAMAROUX, of the Sixteenth Precinct. The prisoner being arraigned before Justice DODGE at the Jefferson Market Police Court, did not deny his guilt, and was committed without bail for trial at the General Sessions.

The Labor Exchange.

From the report of the Castle Garden Labor Exchange, extending from Jan. 16 to the 31st., the following statistics are taken:

Applicants for employment, 1,454—males, 826; females, 628. Orders of employers for laborers, 349—males, 376; females, 466. Persons employed, 752—males, 361; females, 391. Among those were 8 families, comprising 28 persons. Average number of applicants, 111 per day; orders, 64 per day; engagements, 57 per day. Average rate of monthly wages paid to males, $9 50; to females, $9. Classification of emigrant labor: Males—mechanics, 184; agricultural, 185. Females—skilled labor, 13; unskilled, 388.

Printers' Strike.

The printers' strike appears to be very nearly at an end. We are in receipt of the following letter from the Secretary of the Executive Committee:

NEW-YORK, Feb. 4, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Permit me to inform you that the leading book and job printers of this City held a meeting this afternoon. Many offices reported that they were not suffering for lack of hands. Others had vacancies for good men. The tone of the meeting was inspiriting, and the determination was unanimously expressed to continue the resistance to the demands of the strikers. It was the general belief that it needed but a little more firmness on the part of employers to put an end to the exactions of the Union compositors.

JOHN F. BALDWIN,
Secretary Executive Committee.

The Plasterers.

The plasterers, it is understood, contemplate striking next week for higher wages. At present they receive $6 per day for eight hours work. This, however, they consider too small a remuneration, and they intend hereafter to demand $1 per hour, or $48 per week.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS FOR FRIDAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Adjourned to Monday.

Part II.—Held by Ingraham, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Short Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
1152—Wright vs. Billings.	3448—Ruppel vs. Meyer et al.
1312—Hamlin et al. vs. Lowenstein.	3494—Mott vs. Jewett et al.
1644—Wilson vs. Reid et al.	3523—Wheelwright et al. vs. Keller.
1836—Broadwell vs. Hoffner.	3570—Collins et al. vs. Belgrade.
2092—Blum et al. vs. Frank.	3574—Pattison vs. Hurd.
2282—Ferguson vs. Wicks.	3588—Hues vs. Shields et al.
2340—Great Western Ins. Co. vs. Koop et al.	3594—Shumway et al. vs. Curtis.
2538—Shea vs. Richardson et al.	3596—Pitt et al. vs. Keeler.
2566—Rosenthal et al. vs. Lowenstein.	3600—Haas vs. Mohr.
2672—Straub vs. Millerman	3606—Elsner vs. Miller et al.
2704—Sibel vs. Nat. Express Co.	3615—Hetzelberger vs. Devereux et al.
2710—Fourth Nat. Bank of N. Y. vs. N. A. S. S. Co.	3634—Clausen vs. Wall.
2802—Bartlett vs. Levi.	3640—Michel vs. Geary.
2842—McGrath et al. vs. Carpenter.	3656—Wise et al. vs. Ullman.
2910—Devlin vs. Bristol.	3660—Woodruff et al. vs. Hart.
2938—Townsend et al. vs. Papp.	3664—Hoyt et al. vs. Powers.
2950—Reed vs. Saunders et al.	3716—Van Rensselaer vs. Slunte.
2986—Russell vs. Sanborn.	3732—Blood vs. Hickcox et al.
3000—Whitenouse vs. Hebard et al.	3734—Same vs. Same.
3010—Cook et al. vs. Caulkins et al.	3736—Phelps vs. Clark et al.
3048—Hoyt, Executor, &c., vs. Valentine.	3764—Richardson vs. Wolf.
3062—Linsheimer et al. vs. Milleney et al.	3766—Weller vs. Bliss.
3106—Lynde et al. vs. Howe.	3776—Hotchkiss vs. Blakely.
3114—Welles vs. Crooker.	3792—Shepard vs. Justice et al.
3134—Blum et al. vs. Block et al.	3796—Waring vs. Sheare.
3186—Tomlinson et al. vs. Healy.	3822—Duwaldt vs. Williams.
3122—Hoyt, Executor, &c., vs. Valentine.	3836—McKee vs. Empire Sewing Ma. Co.
3222—Fitzgerald vs. Collegan.	3844—Blascoer vs. Mulligan.
3224—Johnston vs. Jackson et al.	3992—Brady vs. Heister.
3240—Lecomte et al. vs. Atwater.	4040—Greaves vs. Bendall et al.
3242—Arnoux vs. Bennett.	4082—Shumway et al. vs. Deesauer.
3260—Selden vs. Bayley.	4136—Mech. Nat. Bk. of N. Y. vs. Bendall et al.
3262—Same vs. Same.	4166—Mass vs. Michael.
3270—White vs. Jacobs et al.	4174—Kohlsaat vs. Hahm.
3274—Spies vs. McCarten.	4186—Woodrow et al. vs. Campbell.
3290—Bliss vs. Price.	4230—Adler vs. Doherty.
3316—Graham vs. Boteler et al.	4234—Emerson, Exr., vs. Gardner et al.
3320—Hall vs. Upright.	4242—Auld vs. Sloan.
3332—Rob et al. vs. Swart.	4256—Allaire vs. Ward.
3352—Marble vs. Stafford et al.	4262—Brown vs. Turner et al.
3356—Thornburn vs. Seymour et al.	4284—Carmillian vs. Schneider et al.
3376—Burraas et al. vs. Slutes et al.	4302—Rosenthal vs. Morris et al.
3378—Langenbach vs. Eysel.	4350—Parsons et al. vs. Nash et al.
3396—Underhill vs. Hahn.	4410—Forsch et al. vs. Haschkopf et al.
3412—Claflin et al. vs. Rosenberger.	4458—Steele vs. Rodes.
3426—Fryer vs. Goodwin.	4458—Maltby et al. vs. Pirod.
3440—Kelly, Sheriff, &c., vs. Whitney et al.	4444—Harriman et al. vs. Curry.
3446—Nolen vs. Meyer et al.	

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part III.—Held by Clerke, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.

Short Causes.

Nos.	Nos.
970—Theisslin vs. Baird.	3555—Coggswell vs. N. Y. and Aces. silver Mining Company.
2236—Mead vs. Hexter.	3559—Thomas vs. Ballard.
2440—First National Bank, Richmond, Va., vs. Walker.	3689—Loeb et al. vs. Finley.
2465—Bayley vs. Phelps.	3701—Schlesinger et al. vs. Ban.
2653—Abbot, Receiver, &c., vs. Walsh et al.	3715—Van Rensselaer et al. vs. Shute et al.
2697—Fielding et al. vs. Morgan et al.	3726—Brooks vs. Hickox et al.
2945—Potter vs. Hyman et al.	3733—Ingersoll vs. Bardin.
3053—Dunham vs. Cathart.	3739—Gray vs. Wallenbeck.
3128—Anglo Austrian B'k'g Ass. vs. Fremont.	3825—Secor et al. vs. Miles et al.
3145—Saunders vs. Kenneth, Jr.	3827—Packer vs. Wetzel et al.
3275—Flasgner vs. Howe.	3829—Same vs. Same.
3287—Washington Iron Works vs. Chamberlain et al.	3969—Brady vs. Taylor.
3401—Wagner vs. Olney.	4035—Newberger et al. vs. Allen.
3403—Maas vs. Holy et al.	4165—Humphreys vs. King.
3413—McDermott vs. Tubbs	4203—Knight, &c., vs. Conlin
3415—DeGraff et al. vs. Papp.	4217—Smith vs. Sonnekalb et al.
3429—Videaux et al. vs. Herokenwrath et al.	4228—Sutton, Jr., et al. vs. Fleischmann et al.
3431—Scribner vs. Mitchell.	4260—Flynn vs. Sims Live Stock Trans'n.
3492—Horney vs. Meyer et al.	4277—Brown vs. Slattery.
3493—Shar vs. Mead, impleaded, &c.	4286—McGane vs. Lucas.
3475—Tweddle et al. vs. Schaefer.	4297—Blascoover vs. Schattmann.
	4276—Lindlow vs. Dole.
	4338—Kocho vs. Balk.
	4407—Burns et al. vs. Midgley.
	4426—Wilcox vs. Stockton.
	4445—Roach vs. Wright.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10½ A. M.

Demurrers.

Nos.	Nos.
96—Reed vs. Fields.	91—Owen, Administrator, vs. Cormack et al.

Issues of Law and Fact.

Nos.	Nos.
172—Field v. Detsfield.	186—Furman, Executor, vs. O'Connor et al.
143—Goodwin et al. vs. Einstein et al.	186—State of Tennessee vs. Powell et al.
144—De Leyer vs. Pike.	187—Howell et al. vs. Mut. S. S. Co.
174—Rohler vs. Finck.	188—Hudson vs. Bernard et al.
176—Weir vs. Wood et al.	189—Phelps vs. Platt et al.
177—Lathrop vs. Gilver, Machine Co. vs. R. and L. S. M. Co.	190—De La Montagnie vs. De La Montagnie.
178—Henry, Ex., vs. People	191—Furman, Executor, vs. Connor et al.
179—Hatch vs. Pengree.	
180—Ware vs. Reynolds.	
181—Cranston vs. Mason.	
183—Kerr vs. Boyd.	

his victim was a very old man. In the robbery he knocked out some of the old man's teeth.

Judge Barnard said that if he had pleaded not guilty, and had been convicted after trial, he should have sentenced him for life, but having pleaded guilty he would give him the lightest sentence which his bad character, the atrocity of the crime and the age of his victim permitted—ten years at hard labor in the State Prison.

Charles Henry and Henry Hunnson pleaded guilty to a charge of grand larceny. The first was sentenced to five years' imprisonment; his companion was remanded to give him an opportunity to show facts in mitigation.

James Devine, James Edwards and Andrew Wheeler pleaded guilty of burglary in the third degree, and were each sentenced to imprisonment for two years and six months.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Recorder J. K. Hackett.

One trial occupied most of the time in the Court of General Sessions yesterday. Four pleas of guilty were received, and five sentences were pronounced. The Assistant District-Attorney, Robert C. Hutchings, Esq., acted for the people, and succeeded in getting efficient and thorough work done in the punishment of several desperate and dangerous scoundrels.

CASE OF ALLEGED BURGLARY.

The trial of Charles J. Murdock, indicted, with Thomas Passmore, for burglary, was resumed, and Mrs. Brayton, the wife of the complainant, was examined as the next witness. She testified to the fact of the robbery, and said she identified the prisoner as the burglar who escaped. Sergeant Joseph Dwyer, the clerk of the Westmoreland Hotel, testified that Murdock and Passmore had a room in the hotel on the night of the robbery; he had not heard of any robbery being committed since the burglary at Mr. Brayton's room. There was considerable cross-questioning of the witness as to the locality of the room and the surrounding ones. Mr. Roberts, the proprietor of the Westmoreland Hotel, was called to the stand for a second time, and reiterated his former statements about the room, and stated that there had been no robbery in the hotel since the burglary. Officer Jackson stated that he arrested the prisoner on the night of the burglary, and gave the particulars of the arrest. He also stated that he searched the yard of the hotel before taking the prisoners to the Station-house, but found nothing. On returning, he seached the yard again, and found the stolen property.

The Assistant District-Attorney entered a *nolle prosequi* in the case of Passmore, and the defence put him on the witness stand. He stated that he was with Murdock on the night of the burglary, and was awakened by the noise at the door of the sheds. On the cross-examination the witness was closely questioned regarding the movements of himself and the prisoner on the night of the burglary. The witness also stated that he had been employed as a burglar in Providence, R. I., and that he had in his possession one $100 note and about a dollar in scrip on the night of the robbery.

Officer Jackson was recalled, and stated that about one dollar only was found on the witness Passmore, and but little money upon Murdock.

The counsel for the prisoner reviewed the testimony at length, and argued energetically that the identity of the prisoner was not established. He also argued that the unsuccessful search at the time of the loss of the property, and the fact that no burglarious tools were found upon Passmore, also that three were others in the hotel at the time, who might have committed the robbery, were reasons why the prisoner should be acquitted. He concluded by appealing for an acquittal on the legal evidence presented.

Assistant District-Attorney Hutchings, the counsel for the people, made a strong argument for the conviction of the prisoner, claiming that the fact of the robbery had been established, and that the circumstantial evidence was sufficient to prove the guilt of the prisoner. He defended his action in entering a *nolle prosequi* in this case, asserting that he entered the *nolle prosequi* in order that Passmore should be put upon the stand. He reviewed the testimony of Passmore, asserting that the fact that a $100 note was not found upon Passmore was no evidence against the parties. He also said that the prisoners were the only parties stopping in the house who could have thrown the stolen property into the yard where it was found. He claimed that the only theory possible to account for the robbery pointed at the prisoner as the perpetrator. Mr. Hutchings stated that he believed it would be a good law which should allow prisoners to testify in their own behalf.

The Recorder charged the Jury that they should carefully consider all of the testimony, which he reviewed with elaborate comments thereon. He concluded by charging them that they should, if a reasonable doubt existed, give the prisoner the benefit of that doubt.

The Jury retired for consultation at 1:20 P. M. At 4 P. M. they came in, having agreed upon a verdict of guilty.

The prisoner protested his innocence. The Recorder, after stating that he had no doubt of the prisoner's guilt, said he should pronounce the extreme penalty of the law, which would be ten years at hard labor in the State Prison.

SENTENCE OF THE BUTCHER-CART THIEF.

Stephen Boyle, *alias* Edward Francis, *alias* Edward Barrett, the "Butcher-Cart Thief," was brought before the Court on two indictments for felonious assault and battery, in shooting at the officer who arrested him, pleaded guilty to each accusation.

Assistant District-Attorney Hutchings in asking that sentence be passed upon the prisoner, said that there was present an officer with a requisition from the Governor of Michigan for the prisoner on an accusation of the murder of a Sheriff in Kalamazoo, in 1867. As the punishment for murder in Michigan was only imprisonment, he thought the prisoner should receive a similar sentence in the Court for the crimes he had committed here.

The Recorder, in passing sentence, reviewed the infamous career of the prisoner and pronounced sentence of twenty years on each count, making forty years in all in the State Prison.

THREE BURGLARS SENTENCED.

Joseph Gross, Henry Wilson and Henry McCall, three bad-looking fellows, were arraigned, convicted of burglary, in breaking into and entering the bonded warehouse at No. 13 Stone-street, on the night of Jan. 30, and stealing merchandise valued at $1,500. They pleaded guilty to the indictments.

The Recorder, in pronouncing sentence against them, said he understood they were bad cases, and he intended to punish severely the crime of burglary severely. He then pronounced sentence of five years each at hard labor in the State Prison.

OPENING OF AN ARSON TRIAL.

The case of Frederick Baden, indicted for arson, was called up, and the Assistant District-Attorney insisted upon the trial proceeding. The counsel for the prisoner objected, but his objection was overruled by the Recorder, and a jury was impaneled. The Court then adjourned until this morning at 11 o'clock, when the trial will be resumed.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—FEB. 4, 1869.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	111¾	21 Wes. U. T.	38¼
6,500 U. S. 5-20 C., '62.	113⅝	100 do.	38¼
5,000 5-20 C., '64.	109¾	400 do.	38¼
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '65	110⅞	100 do.	38
30,000 do.	110	100 Quick. Min. Co.	23½
200,000 do.	83	500 Mariposa Pf.	35¾
10,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40, C.	108½	100 do. bet. cash	28½
1,000 do.	108½	100 Pacific Mail.	117
71,000 U. S. 5-20, C. '67.	108¾	100 do.	117¼
1,000 do.	109	300 do.	117¾
5,000 do.	b3 109	100 do.	b30 117¾
850 U. S. 5s, '74 R.		400 do.	117¾
	b3 113	100 Boston, W. P.	15¾
1,000 Brook. 6s, W.L.	95½	550 Amer. M. U. Ex.	95
1,000 N. Car. St. 6s.	63	100 do.	50¾
17,000 do.	62¼	100 Merch. Un. Ex.	
5,000 do.	bet. cash	62¼	
5,000 do. bet. call	62	400 New-York Cent'l.	165
2,000 N. Car. 6s, new	61¾	100 do.	165¾
10,000 do.	61	200 Reading.	96⅝
1,000 Mo. St. 6s.	86¾	do.	96¾
5,000 do.	86¾	120 Mich. Southern.	96
10,000 La. 8s, Levy. 6d	97	100 Mich. Central bet.	
1,000 Erie 4th M.	87	cash	119¾
1,000 Ill. Cen. Bds.	115	50 Chi. & R. W. Pf.	92
5,000 C. & N. W. Con.		100 do.	92
Con'ble Bds.	95	100 do.	91¾
1,000 C. & R.1.1stM.B	101	200 Clev. & Tol.	105¾
1,000 C. & W. Equip. B	77¾	100 C., Cin. & Ind.	78
5,000 C. & Mor. R. Sec.	86½	100 T. W. & W.	b10 65
15,000 Chi. & R. I. 1st M.	92	100 Morris & Essex.	97
2,000 M. & St. P. 8s, 1st	102¾	100 Alt. & T. H. Pf.	68¼
5,000 C., C. & I. C. 1st M	85	100 do.	68
5,000 do.	85¾	100 do.	67¾
1,000 do.	85¾	100 Ohio & Miss.	b10 28
1,000 Tol., P. & W. 1st		100 do.	b30 28¼
East. Div.	86	500 do.	28
1,000 St. Louis & I. M.		300 H. & St. Jos. Pref.	109
1st M.	84	do.	109¼
12 St. Nich. Bank.	106	100 do.	109¾
8 Fourth Nat. Bank	103¾	200 do.	109¾
80 Ph'a Commerce.	122	100 C., Cin. & I. C.	53
5 Metropolitan Bk.	120	18 do. bet. cash	53
100 Canton Co.	61	300 Lake Shore R. R.	
100 do.	60¾	2d call.	102¼

OPEN BOARD—8½ P. M.

100 Am. Mer. Ex.	80¾	800 Fort Wayne.	117⅜
200 Canton.	60	200 do.	117
100 Pacific Mail.	830	116⅜	800 M. S. & N. I.	93¾
100 do.	116⅜	800 do.	93
100 West. Un. Tel.	38¾	800 Ohio & Miss.	26⅝
300 do.	38	1100 do.	26¾
200 N. Y. Central.	162⅝	400 do.	b3 26¾
100 do.	s3	162⅝	800 Clev. & Tol.	104⅛
200 do.	162¾	600 do.	b30 105
400 Reading.	95⅝	200 do.	b3 104⅜
100 T., W. & W.	64⅜	100 Rock Island.	b10 123⅛
200 do.	64	100 do.	123¾
100 M. & St. P.	65⅜	100 Northwestern.	83
300 Mil. & St. P. Pf.	79⅝	200 Northwestern Pf.	91
100 do.	79¾	600 do.	91⅜
200 Pittsburg.	91⅞		

THURSDAY, Feb. 4—P. M.

The sales of Gold opened with an improvement of ⅛@¼ ₱ cent. on the last price of yesterday, but a renewed weakness in Foreign Exchange caused the price to return to 135¼@135⅜ ₱ cent., and there was very little real strength in the market at any time during the day. The Cash Gold is abundant, and 6@7 ₱ cent. interest is paid for carrying over balances. There was a further decline in Bills on London to 109½@109⅝, 60 days, and 110@110⅛ for short sight, several of the leading Bankers offering to draw at 109½@110 ₱ cent., 60 days and short sight respectively, and in some instances abating a brokerage of one-sixteenth of 1 ₱ cent. The cause of the fresh decline in rates is the renewal of active shipments of Cotton direct to Liverpool from New-Orleans and other Southern ports, and some rather extensive engagements to ship from New-York. The Liverpool market to-day shows increased buoyancy, and the American speculation, as noticed yesterday, is decidedly in the ascendant. There was a further supply of Bills made against United States and other Stocks, but negotiations were dull, owing to the uncertainty of a mail steamer on Saturday. At present it is more than doubtful whether the Inman-Dale line will have a steamer ready for that day.

Money is in good demand at 7 ₱ cent. to the Brokers. The exceptions at 6 ₱ cent. are upon balances voluntarily tendered to the leading firms of the Street upon United States and other prime collateral, subject to return, without notice.

On the Stock Exchange there was a strong market for the Public Funds at a further advance of ⅛@¼ ₱ cent.; a dull feeling in the Southern State Bonds, and a highly excited and constantly fluctuating speculation in the New-York and Western Railways. At one time appearances were in the direction of a serious breakdown in all the Stocks with which the Gould-Fisk party are supposed to be connected, owing to their defeat at Harrisburg yesterday in another attempt to control the Western lines—this being the third repulse in a few weeks, and which, coming so soon after the action of the Boards of the Stock Exchange, refusing all dealings and the recognition of all contracts in Erie Stock, is almost the severest, as well as most untimely blow that could come upon this daring and unscrupulous combination. Erie Stock has no status whatever on the Street, and no reliable transactions are reported even at the decline of 3@3½ ₱ cent. since its utter rejection by the Exchange last Monday. The cloud thrown over all the Stocks supposed to be held by the Erie party, and especially their rumored attempt to sell out the Fort Wayne Stock which they recently purchased to control the March election, created a general anxiety in the Railway market, and caused prices to fluctuate violently—New-York Central 165@160⅞ @162½, and the Western list from 2 to 3 ₱ cent. After 1 o'clock there was a somewhat steadier feeling, but later in the Afternoon the quotations were again much unsettled and weak, and after the late Board broke up the following quotations were made as compared with Wednesday night:

	Wednesday.	Thursday.
United States 10-40s	108½	108¼
United States 5-20s of 1862	113⅜	113⅜
United States 5-20s of 1867	106⅞	108⅛
American Gold Coin	135⅜	135½
Bills on London, 60 days	109½	109¼
New Bonds of Tennessee	67⅜	67½
Virginia Bonds, old	57½	57½
Missouri Bonds	86¼	86¼
North Carolina Bonds, old	62½	62
New-York Central	165½	163½
Reading Railway	96¼	95¾
Chicago and Rock Island	130½	128
Northwest Common	83½	83¼
Northwest Preferred	91½	90¾
Michigan Southern	94½	92¾
Pittsburg and Fort Wayne	120½	117
Cleveland and Pittsburg	93½	91½
Pacific Mail Company	117½	117
St. Paul Preferred	81½	79½
St. Paul Common	66½	65½
Toledo and Wabash	65½	63¾
Cleveland and Toledo	105½	104½
Ohio and Mississippi	38¾	36¼

The following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States, at the close of business:

6's cent. reg., 1881	111⅝	5-20 coup., 1868	109
6's cent. coup., 1881	112⅝	5's cent. reg., 1871	123½
5-20 reg., 1862	109⅝	5's cent. coup., 1871	125⅛
5-20 coup., 1862	113⅜	5's cent. reg., 1874	112¼
5-20 reg., 1864	109⅜	5's cent. coup., 1874	116
5-20 reg., 1865	109⅛	10-40 reg.	102⅜
5-20 coup., 1865	111	10-40 coup.	108⅛
5-20 reg., '65, n. is	108⅜	6s Currency	101⅛
5-20 coup., 1867	108⅜		

And the following for the State Bonds:

N. Y. Reg. B'y Loan	109⅝	Virginia 6s, ex. c.	56⅞
N. Y. Coup. B'y Loan	109⅝	Virginia 6s, new bds.	62
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '70	101½	Georgia 6s	83¼
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '72	102	Georgia 7s, new bds.	92
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '73	102	North Carolina 6s	62¼
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '74	102	North Car. 6s, n. bds.	61
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '75	102	Missouri 6s	86¼
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '77	102	Missouri H. & S. Jo 1ss.	86¾
N. Y. 6's c. Canal, '78	102	Louisiana 6s	70¾
N. Y. 5's c. Canal, '72	100	Louisiana 6s, levee bds.	67½
N. Y. 5's c. Canal, '73	100	Louisiana 6s, levee bds.	85¾
N. Y. 5's c. Canal, '74	100	California 7s	126
N. Y. 5's c. Canal, '75	100	California 7s, large bs.	125
N. Y. 5's c. Canal, '76	99½	Alabama 5s	84
Indiana 5's c. War Ln.	96	Alabama 8s	92½
Tennessee 6s, ex. Coup.	67½		
Tennessee 6s, n bnds.	67½		

And the following for the City Bank Stocks:

New-York	134	Bank of Republic	115½
Merchants'	123	Bank of N. America	114
Mechanics'	125	Hanover	108½
Union	125	Irving	108½
America	145	Metropolitan	138¾
Phenix	106½	Market	117
Tradesmen's	145	Nassau	105
Mechan'ks & Traders'	125	Corn Exchange	116
Seventh Ward	112	Continental	98½
State of New-York	114	Commonwealth	109
Commerce	121	Impt'rs & Trad'rs'	128
Mechs. B'k'g Assoc.	118	Park	154
Ocean	106½	Central National	107
American Exch	115	Fourth National	103

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, 1883	90¼	Tol. & W. 2d M. ext.	83
N. Y. Cen. 6s, R. Est.	87	Tol. & W. Equip. bds.	77
N. Y. C. 6s, Subscrip.	87	Gt. West'n 1st M. '88	82
Erie 7s, 2d ind., 1883	92	Gt. West'n 2d M. '93	78¾
Erie 7s, 4th ind., 1880	86½	Gal. & Chi. extended	99
Erie 7s, 5th ind., 1888	95¼	Gal. & Chi. 2d M.	95
B., N. Y. & E. 1st '77	80	Chi. & R. I. 1st M.	101
Hud. R. 7s, 1st M., 1869-70	99	Chi. R. I. & P.	94
Harlem 1st M.	101	N. J. Cen. 2d M.	101
Mich. S. & N. I. 7s, '82	118	Morris & Essex 1st M.	97¾
C. R. & Q. 8's c. 1st M.	111	Morris & Essex 2d M.	93
Mich. S. I. & C. 2d M.	92¾	P. Ft. W. & C. 1st 7s,	101
M. S. & N. I. 8's, Sub.	87	Ft. Ft. W. & C. 2d M.	96
R. R. Sq. gnar. 1st M.	92	Clev. & P. 1st M.	93¼
Ill. Cen. 7's c., 1870	115	Cleve. & P. 2d M.	90
Alton & T. H. 1st M.	92	Cleve. & P. 4th M.	73¼
Alton & T. H. 2d M. pf.	72	Chi. & Alton 1st M.	101
Alton & T. H. 2d M. inc.	77	Chi. & Alton inc.	87
Chi. & N. W. S. Fund.	98½	Ohio & Miss. 1st M.	93
Chi. & N. W. Int. bds.	91	Ohio & Miss. Con.	86¼
Con. 7's cent. con.	95	Peninsula R. R. bonds	87
Con. 7's cent. 1st M.	89	Mil. & St. P. 1st M. 8s,	102
Han. & St. J. L. Gr.	106¾	Mil. & St. Paul 1st M.	91⅝
Han. & St. Jo. con.	110	Mil. & St. Paul 2d M.	83
Tol. & W. 1st M. ext.	91	C. & Gt. Eastn 1st M.	84¼

The day's business at the office of the United States Assistant Treasurer was as follows: Total receipts, $1,372,270 80; total payments, $1,547,988 50; balance, $84,045,359 60.

The receipts include for Customs, $383,000; for Gold Notes, $60,000.

The following resolution was adopted by the New-York Stock Exchange Board, on Tuesday last, in regard to North Carolina State Bonds:

Resolved, That in addition to North Carolina State New Bonds, now called, there shall hereafter be included any bonds issued to the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, dated Oct. 1, 1868, which bear the imprint (in medallion) that the special tax required by the Constitution has been ordered to be levied by the act of the Legislature authorizing the issue. Said bonds, however, not to be a good delivery for past contracts.

Attention is directed to the offer of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railway Company of Missouri to sell $300,000 of their First Mortgage Bonds, to be paid for in all the months of February and March, at the office of the Vice-President, Mr. H. G. MARQUAND, No. 48 Wall-street, Jauncey-court.

The following is the text of the Bill passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature, and approved by the Governor yesterday, in regard to the classification of the Board of Directors of the Fort Wayne Road:

A SUPPLEMENT to an act entitled "An act to provide for the reorganization of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company," approved March 31, A. D. 1860, to provide for classifying the members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That it shall be lawful for the Board of Directors of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway Company, by lot or otherwise, to so classify the members thereof that one-fourth (as near as may be) shall terminate their official terms as Directors at the first next annual election thereafter, and one-fourth at each subsequent election, and after being thus classified, the stock and bondholders shall elect only the number of the Board of Directors necessary to fill the vacancies created by the expiration of the period of services fixed as aforesaid.

The following note from Messrs. WATERHOUSE, PEARL & Co., of No. 19 Newstreet, explains their connection, as brokers, with the transaction in $120,000 Union Pacific Railway Bonds, recently before the Police Court:

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Referring to the card of Mr. THOMAS EAKIN in your issue of this morning, we beg leave to make the following statement:

On or about the 19th of December last, Messrs. P. J. THOMAS & SON, to whom we had frequently made loans, applied for an advance on $120,000 Union Pacific Railroad Bonds, which they, as stated, desired to purchase. We arranged to obtain on them a loan of $100,000 from Mr. EAKIN, and thereupon agreed to advance to THOMAS & SON $108,000, with the understanding that we could sell the bonds at any time, to reimburse ourselves. For mutual convenience, we agreed to receive and pay for the bonds at Mr. EAKIN'S office, and, at their request, gave them a certificate of deposit for $98,588 89, payable to S. WOLFF, and our checks on the Fourth National Bank for $4,411 11 and $8,000, payable to their order. On the 22d of December, by authority of Messrs. THOMAS & SON, we sold $7,000 of the bonds to Messrs. JOHN J. CISCO & SON for $66,500. The remaining $50,000 were sold by Messrs. THOMAS & SON to various parties, and the proceeds, after paying our loan, were accounted for to them.

WATERHOUSE, PEARL & CO.

The earnings of the Providence and Worcester Railroad for the fiscal years ending Nov. 30, 1867 and 1868, as reported by the *American Railroad Journal*, were as follows:

	1867.	1868.
From passengers	$236,543 92	$227,479 26
From merchandise	180,190 14	219,537 25
From mails	9,157 50	5,157 50
From rents	4,728 18	4,793 71
From express	6,000 00	6,425 57
From interest received	1,381 85	
Total	$442,948 59	$723,388 03
Expenses, viz.:		
Fuel	$52,961 68	$73,688 28
Oil	7,313 55	7,126 83
Maintenance of way	156,197 74	190,953 85
Repairs of cars	72,227 67	50,300 00
Repairs of locomotives	54,481 62	37,800 00
Freight Department	74,586 67	83,138 88
Passenger Department	35,954 79	42,215 02
Local taxes	24,894 03	26,497 66
United States revenue taxes	15,503 91	18,724 19
Interest		2,373 25
Miscellaneous	47,716 69	51,533 44
Total	$542,517 35	$594,391 22
Net earnings	150,429 24	128,996 78

Compared with 1867, the gross earnings of 1868 show increase of $30,441 42; with an increase in expenses of $21,873 88—making the increase in net earnings, $8,567 54.

The receipts of the Company from all sources, for the year ending Nov. 30, 1868, have been as follows:

Net earnings as above	$128,996 78
Cash received for sales 1,600 shares of the stock of this Company	128,035 00
Materials on hand Nov. 30, 1867	56,196 10
Cash on hand Nov. 30, 1867	36,362 45
Received for real estate sold	44,371 64
Received for the Company's notes	50,000 00
Total	$473,861 97

Accounted for as follows:

Materials and labor constructing second track	$52,126 70
Locomotives, cars	16,655 00
Dividend payable Jan. 1, 1868	72,000 00
Dividend payable July 1, 1868	76,000 00
Previous dividends	620 00
Materials on hand Nov. 30, 1868	144,639 36
Cash in bank	$131,960 80
Note on hand	280 00
Total	$132,240 80
Less due connecting lines	110,294 98—21,945 82
Total as above	$473,861 97

Balance Sheet, Nov. 30, 1868.

Construction	$1,441,678 86
Cars	284,927 63
Locomotives	161,890 25
Materials on hand	144,639 36
Cash, &c., on hand	21,945 82
Total	$2,055,082 02
Capital stock	$1,900,000 00
Notes payable	55,000 00
Dividends unclaimed	620 00
Dividends due January 1868, 4 per cent	76,000 00
Income—balance as the surplus earnings	23,426 02
Total	$2,055,082 02

President—EARL P. MASON.

Directors—Earl P. Mason, James Y. Smith, Alexander Duncan, Paul Whitin, Harvey Chace, Isaac Davis, Isaac H. Southwick, Henry Chapin, William S. Slater, John Carter Brown, Gideon L. Spencer, Elijah B. Stoddard, Horatio N. Slater, Jr., Lyman A. Cook, Ketus Lamb.

Treasurer and Clerk—John R. Balch.

Superintendent—William D. Hilton.

The Cincinnati *Price Current*, of Feb. 3, says:

"In our last we stated that enough had been known to justify us in saying that the number of hogs packed in the West, the present season, will fall short of the packing last season about 500,000 hogs; and in no case can it be far enough from this point to change the result essentially. It seems to us that the weight will not differ much from that of last season, and we think, from the information we have, that there will be very little difference in the yield of lard; if any, it will be against this season; that is, the yield will be less. The great delay in collecting the statistics of pork packing is not in getting the number of hogs packed, but in ascertaining the yield of lard, and the average weight, and without these the statistics would be incomplete. Pork packing in this city has been virtually closed for two weeks, yet we have not yet been able to get the returns from over one-half the houses. Two are still packing, and many of them have not weighed their lard."

BANKING AND FINANCIAL.

☞ 1,000 MILES OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD are now completed. As 500 miles of the western portion of the line, beginning at Sacramento, are also done, but 267 miles remain to be finished to open the Grand Through Line to the Pacific. This opening will certainly take place early this season. Besides a donation from the Government of 12,800 acres of land per mile, the Company is entitled to a subsidy in United States Bonds on its line as completed and accepted, at the average rate of about $26,500 per mile, according to the difficulties encountered, for which the Government takes a second lien as security. Whether subsidies are given to any other companies or not, the Government will comply with all its contracts with the Union Pacific Railroad Company. Nearly the whole amount of bonds to which the Company will be entitled have already been delivered. By its charter, the Company is permitted to issue its own FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS to the same amount as the Government Bonds, *and no more*. These Bonds are a First Mortgage upon the entire road, and all its equipments.

They have thirty years to run, at six per cent., and both principal and interest are PAYABLE IN GOLD. Such securities are generally valuable in proportion to the length of time they have to run. The longest six per cent. gold interest bonds of the United States (the '81s) will be due in twelve years, and they are worth 112. If they had thirty years to run, they would stand at not less than 125. A perfectly safe First Mortgage Bond like the Union Pacific should approach this rate. The demand for European investments is already considerable, and on the completion of the work will doubtless carry the price to a large premium.

It needs no argument to show that a First Mortgage of $26,500 per mile upon what for a long time must be the only railroad connecting the Atlantic and Pacific States is perfectly secure. The entire amount of the mortgage will be about $30,000,000, and the interest $1,800,000 per annum in gold. The present currency cost of this interest is less than $2,500,000 per annum, while the gross earnings for the year 1868, from way business only, on an average of less than 700 miles of road in operation, were more than FIVE MILLION DOLLARS, the details of which are as follows:

From passengers	$1,024,005 97
From freight	2,040,238 19
From express	61,423 08
From mails	136,285 59
From miscellaneous	91,626 27
From Government troops	104,077 77
From Government freight	449,440 33
From contractors' men	201,179 09
From contractors' material	968,430 32
Total	$5,066,651 61

This large amount is only an indication of the immense traffic that must go over the through line in a few months, when the great tide of Pacific coast travel and trade will begin. It is estimated that this business must make the earnings of the road from FIFTEEN TO TWENTY MILLIONS A YEAR. As the supply of these bonds will soon cease, parties who desire to invest in them will find it for their interest to do so at once. The price for the present is par and accrued interest from Jan. 1, in currency.

Subscriptions will be received in New-York at the Company's office, No. 20 Nassau-st., and by JOHN J. CISCO & SON, Bankers, No. 59 Wall-st., and by the Company's advertised agents throughout the United States.

☞ THE FIRST MORTGAGE, FIFTY-YEAR CONVERTIBLE BONDS of the ROCKFORD, ROCK ISLAND and ST. LOUIS RAILROAD COMPANY pay the PRINCIPAL AND SEVEN PER CENT. INTEREST—1st FEBRUARY and 1st AUGUST—IN GOLD COIN, *Free of Government Tax.*

The Bonds are offered at 97½ and accrued interest in currency.

Pamphlets, with maps, giving full information, sent on application.

All Bonds subscribed for sent by Express free of charge.

The Bonds may be had of H. H. BOODY, Treasurer, No. 12 Wall-st., or of HENRY CLEWS & CO., Bankers, No. 32 Wall-st., New-York.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Bethune-st., s. s., 185 ft e. of Washington, 88.7x 25.3x84.5x22.....$10,400

Bedford-st., No. 17, 19.9x75x19.11x75.....

Carmine-st., s. s., lots Nos. 149 and 150, Bridge's map, 18.8x80.....

118th-st., n. s., 234 ft. w. of 1st-av., 16.8x100.10, stamp 25 50-100.....nom.

119th-st., n. s., 100.10 ft. w. of 5th-av., 100x100.10 stamp 25 50-100.....

Pearl-st., No. 272, 88.11x26x26x92.7x22.9.....37,500

Broadway, s. w. corner 51st-st., 158x100.6x irreg 25.1x128.....149,000

Delancey-st., s. s., lot No. 1,658, Cutting estate, 20x75.....13,000

Madison-st., s. s., 95.5 ft. e. of Scammel-st., 20x37 x19.11x38.....6,000

Sheriff-st., w. s., lot No. 41, estate of Clason, 21.10 x100.....6,250

Stanton-st., s. s. corner Rivington-st., 19x35.....11,000

Stanton-st., s. s., 50 ft. w. of Sheriff-st., 25x60x22x 15x37x75.....10,200

4th-st., n. s., lots Nos. 58 and 59, estate of Pell, 46.2x36 irreg.....nom.

20th-st., s. s., 376.8 ft. w. of 6th-av., 25x92.....19,000

36th-st., s. s., 193.9 ft. e. of 2d-av., 18.9x98.9.....10,000

36th-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of 2d-av., 18.9x98.9.....10,000

42d-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x100.4.....12,000

45th-st., s. s., 170 ft. w. of 6th-av., 20x100.5.....31,000

46th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 6th-av., 144x25.6.....2,800

46th-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of 6th-av., 25x100.5.....9,000

56th-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of 9th-av., 37.7x25.2x24.6x25......4,000

57th-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x166.9x25.2x 163.2.....

58th-st., n. s., 229 ft. e. of 9th-av., 37.7x25.2x24.6x 25.....21,000

71st-st., s. s., 405 ft. e. of 4th-av., 20x100.5.....6,000

77th-st., n. s., 400 ft. e. of 4th-av., 20x102.2.....5,000

77th-st., s. s., 275 ft. w. of 1st-av., 25x102.2.....5,200

85th-st., s. s., lot No. 247, Harlem Commons.....5,500

92d-st., s. s., 450 ft. e. of 3d-av., 33.7x55.....1,400

100th-st., n. s., 200 ft. e. of 2d-av., 50x100.8.....5,000

114th-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of 4th-av., 18.9x100.11.....3,000

114th-st., s. s., 192.6 ft. e. of 4th-av., 37.6x100.11.....23,000

118th-st., n. s., 710 ft. w. of 6th-av., 28x100x10x 100.11.....1,500

121st-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 3d-av., 201.8x25.....5,500

142d-st., w. s., 250 ft. w. of 8th-av., 100x99.11.....2,400

144th-st., s. s., 225 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x99.11.....1,350

1st-av., e. s., lots Nos. 113 and 114, Harlem Commons, 50.4x102.2.....6,300

5th-av., e. s., lots Nos. 113 and 114, Harlem Common, 50.4x102.2.....150

7th-av., w. s., 49.11 ft. s. of 144th-st., 25x75.....3,500

7th-av., s. s., 20.9 ft. s. of 144th-st., 19x70.....3,120

10th-av., w. s., 74 ft. s. of 26th-st., 24.8x72.....15,250

Leases Recorded.

Broadway, No. 891, lofts, &c., 3 years, per year } $8,000
6 years and 3 months..... } 3 years, per year } 10,000

Broadway, No. 545, part of floor store, 5 years, per year.....3,500

Broadway, Nos. 361, and No. 134 Mercer-st., 3 years, per year.....17,000

Canal-st., No. 341, 2d floor, 1 year, per year.....1,800

East Broadway, s. s., 86.4 ft. e. of Gouverneur-st., 21.7x111.2, 20 years, per year.....500

Grand-st., No. 366, 5 years, per year.....1,000

Mercer-st., No. 131, 5 years, per year.....1,000

Chatham-st., No. 178, 4½ years, per year.....1,800

Maiden-lane, No. 4, (fourth story, front room,) 3 years 3 months, per year.....600

Maiden-lane, No. 6, 2 years, per year.....5,750

White-st., Nos. 61 and 63, 5 years, per year.....10,000

Wooster-st., No. 39, 10 years, per year.....1,600

62d-st., n. w. corner 3d-av., 25x72.10, 20 years, p. y.

62d-st., n. s., 72.10 ft. w. of 3d-av., 25x102.6, 20 years, per year.....1,100

2d-av., No. 543, store, 5 years, per year.....400

3d-av., w. s., 80 ft. n. of 62d-st., 72.10x23.10x72.11x 27.6, 20 years, per year.....1,550

3d-av., w. s., 52.6 ft. n. of 62d-st., 27.6x72.10, 20 yrs. per year.....900

3d-av., w. s., 25 ft. n. of 62d-st., 72.10x27.6, 20 yrs., per year.....900

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Ainslie-st., s. s., 175 ft. w. of Graham-st., 25x100... $2,800
Baltic-st., n. s., 363 ft. w. of Albany-av., 198x21.6x 260x81.9x61.5.....1,500

Church-st., s. s., 158.6 ft. e. of Columbia-st., 25x200.....840

Dean-st., s. s., 100.3 ft. e. of Flatbush-av., 25x40.......3,000

Dean-st., s. s., 116.3 ft. w. of Grand-av., 46.7x110x 3.9.....275

*Hickory-st., n. s., 140 ft. w. of Marc

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GRAND OPERA HOUSE.
23d-st., corner 8th-av.
LA PERICHOLE. Characters by Mlle. Irma, Mlle. Rose, Mlle. Thoisr, M. Aujac, M. Leduc, M. Edgard, M. Guidon, M. Hamilton, and others.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner of 6th-av.
ROMEO AND JULIET. Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Mark Smith, Adams, T. J. Hind, Monroe, Norris, Miss Mary McVicker, Miss Fanny Morant, Miss Proudfoot, and others.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
24th-st., near 8th-av.
BETTER LATE THAN NEVER, and THE DRAMATIC REVIEW FOR 1868. Characters by Messrs. John Brougham, Stoddart, Hale, Lamb, Edmonds, Miss Newton, Mrs. W. Winter, Miss Fisher and others.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Characters by Messrs. Lester Wallack, Gilbert, Fisher, Stoddart, Ringgold, Miss Rose Eytinge, Mrs. Clara Jennings, Miss Annie Ward and others.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
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Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker sts.
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FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
FLEUR DE THE. Characters by Mmes. Desclauzas, Mlle. Rizzelli, Messrs. Carrier, Lefevre, Beckers, Genot, Petit and others.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

Bands of Carlists have appeared at Catalonia, Spain, and are seeking to stir up a revolution against the Provisional Government. The journals of Madrid urge the Government to take active measures to prevent civil war, and appeal to the people to unite against the Reactionary Party.

The appeal in the case of COSTELLO, the Fenian prisoner, has been denied.

It is now reported that Greece has acceded to the Peace Conference protocol.

CONGRESS.

The morning hour in the Senate yesterday was mostly consumed in debate upon the bill relating to the Central Branch of the Union Pacific Railroad. The proposed suffrage amendment to the Constitution was then taken up, and a lengthy debate ensued upon the several amendments offered. Mr. WILLIAMS offered an amendment upon which he will speak to-day. The Senate then took a recess till evening. At the evening session several private bills were passed. The Oregon Pacific Railroad bill was recommitted, and the bill providing for the sale of the Arsenal grounds at St. Louis was passed. Debate ensued on the bill to legalize certain land appropriations, but without disposing of it the Senate adjourned.

The House consumed considerable time yesterday in disposing of the cases of HENRY JOHNSON and FLORENCE SCANNELL, the two witnesses who refused to testify before the Committee investigating the New-York election frauds. It was stated that Mr. JOHNSON'S arrest was in consequence of a misunderstanding, and he was discharged. Mr. SCANNELL having answered the questions of the Committee, a motion was made to release him on payment of costs. After some debate the motion was agreed to, and the Sergeant-at-Arms retains Mr. SCANNELL in custody till he pays $70—the cost of his arrest. The amendments made in Committee of the Whole to the Indian Appropriation bill were then acted upon. During the debate Mr. HOLBROOK, delegate from Idaho, said that Mr. BUTLER had used language "which he knew to be unqualifiedly false." The Speaker immediately called him to order, and the offensive language having been taken down a resolution of censure was passed without a division. The Sergeant-at-Arms then brought Mr. HOLBROOK to the bar of the House, and the Speaker administered to him the censure called for by the resolution. The discussion of the Indian Appropriation bill was then resumed, and it was finally passed. Messrs. WILSON and FRUIT were appointed tellers on the part of the House to count the electoral vote for President and Vice-President. Debate was resumed on the Air-Line Railroad bill, and at its conclusion its further consideration was postponed until Tuesday. The Senate joint resolution to annul the stationery contract with DEMPSEY & O'TOOLE was agreed to; also the Senate bill to prohibit the coolie trade. The House then took a recess until evening. At the evening session Mr. ELA spoke on the finances and currency; Mr. HARDING on the disposition of the public lands; Mr. WILLIAMS discussed the financial question; Mr. SCHENCK criticised the Union Pacific Railroad, and Mr. KELLY criticised the report of Mr. WELLS, Internal Revenue Commissioner. The House then adjourned.

GENERAL.

Several persons were seriously injured on Wednesday night by the falling of the roof of St. Patrick's Hall, in Montreal, Canada. A concert and ball were in progress at the time, and about 4,000 people were present. Some one who saw the danger raised the alarm, and the crowd rushed for the door, but some were unable to escape before the roof came crashing down upon them. It is thought no one was killed.

The Maine House of Representatives, after an animated discussion, yesterday refused by a majority of four to pass an act allowing parties to fix any rate of interest they might agree upon as a legal rate.

We print in another column a highly interesting letter from our Cuban correspondent, dated Jan. 30. The letter includes ample details of the disturbances in the City of Havana, the *mêlées* at the Villanueva Theatre and at the Louvre, and illustrates the not exaggerated sense of insecurity under which the American residents of the isle, according to our telegrams, have long been suffering.

In the Georgia Senate yesterday a proposition to restore the expelled colored members to their seats was denied a hearing. In the House a resolution to submit to the Courts the question of eligibility of colored members was agreed to.

GEORGE JONES, indicted for committing a burglary on the house of Dr. BEACH, of Bond-street, was sentenced to the State Prison yesterday for twenty years. The prisoner fainted on hearing his sentence. The butcher-cart thief, FRANCIS BOYLE, who was tried for shooting at Officer MALONEY, who arrested him, was sentenced to forty years in the State Prison.

Mr. E. L. SANDERSON, of Brooklyn, yesterday obtained a verdict of $5,000 damages against the *Sunday Mercury* for libel.

The Chamber of Commerce yesterday adopting resolutions appointing a committee to examine the projects for erecting a suspension bridge over the East River.

WARD'S celebrated statue of the Indian Hunter has been purchased by a number of wealthy gentlemen of this City and presented to the Central Park.

Collector CALLAHAN, of the Ninth District, and JOHN ULRICH, were yesterday arrested, and held in bonds of $10,000, charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States Government.

The great annual masked ball of the Arion Society took place last night at the Academy of Music, with the usual splendor and vivid enjoyment.

Rev. JOHN J. BRONNER was installed pastor of the North Baptist Church last evening.

M. DU CHAILLU lectured before the Geographical Society last evening on Equatorial Africa.

The Assembly Committee on Contested Elections, which has been sitting for some days at the Metropolitan Hotel, sat yesterday at the Mariners' Harbor, Staten Island. It will resume its sittings at the Metropolitan Hotel this morning.

The aggregate of Internal Revenue tax collections in this City for the six months ending January 1, 1869, is $10,851,367 06. In the Thirty-second District the collections amounted to nearly $4,000,000.

Cotton was fairly active yesterday at a further advance of ¼c. ₱ lb., but closed dull and weak. Flour and Wheat were moderately inquired for at about previous figures. Corn was lower and Oats were firmer on a moderate business. Provisions attracted less attention; Lard declined slightly. The grocery trade was restricted. Dry Goods were in quick request, both at auction and in private trade, at firm and buoyant prices for desirable stock. The auction sales of the day passed off quite spiritedly. The freight market was dull.

The Connecticut Standard Applied to Congress.

The Republican Convention of Connecticut has reaffirmed in emphatic phrases features of the party policy which some of its servants at Washington seem in danger of forgetting. Recognizing the importance of pending financial and fiscal issues, the Convention administers a quiet rebuke to the railway jobbers and dogmatic currency doctors who daily thrust their schemes before the country. The resolution adopted on the subject declares it to be the duty of Congress to—

"First, formally affirm that when the national debt is paid it must be paid in gold, except where it is otherwise distinctly provided in the original contract; second, introduce the strictest economy into every branch of the Government; third, *refuse all subsidies and appropriations to railroad and other enterprises outside of the indispensable machinery of the Government;* fourth, see to it that the taxes are impartially levied, and energetically and honestly collected, and surplus revenues applied to the reduction of the debt; fifth, make it a constant aim to resume specie payment and give the people a uniform and steady currency, *as soon as may be without a violent disturbance of business;* and sixth, *to remove taxation from labor and necessaries of life, and to impose it as far as possible upon articles of luxury.*"

In the main, these propositions are an echo of the Chicago platform, and there can be no doubt that they reflect the general current of public opinion. Does Congress respect or disregard them?

The idea of immediate resumption finds no favor among the people. They look upon it as an object to be kept in view in legislation affecting the currency or the debt, but they have no desire to precipitate it, or to deal with it irrespective of other considerations. They will be glad to have specie payments when they may be practicable; insisting, however, that they shall be deferred until their realization becomes possible "without a violent disturbance of business." This view we believe to be almost universal, and its application is fatal to plans like that of Mr. SHERMAN, who in his haste to resume would embarrass business and increase taxation. The advantage to be gained is not worth the price which these legislative resumptionists are eager to pay for it. We hope to reach it by-and-by, in the natural order of things, and meanwhile deem it expedient to avoid causes of panic or distress, and to improve the public credit by refusing on any pretext to increase the interest-bearing debt. Measures for funding greenbacks and issuing more bonds are not calculated to amend the nation's credit; nor are the means indicated as preliminaries to resumption likely to increase confidence or smooth the paths of industry and trade.

What is wanted—as the Connecticut resolution truly says—is a distinct affirmation of the inviolability of the debt; and for this purpose the bill introduced by Mr. SCHENCK is sufficient. Its enactment would inspire confidence, while the effect of Mr. SHERMAN'S bill would be to unsettle everything, and make matters infinitely worse than they are.

Another essential condition of improved credit is a firm refusal to augment the debt. The burden is heavy enough already. "The best policy to diminish the burden of debt"—the Convention that nominated Gen. GRANT asserted—"is so to improve our credit that capitalists will seek to lend us money at lower rates than we now pay." This cannot be so long as for any cause we continue to swell the principal of the debt. It is necessary, therefore, as the sensible men of Connecticut remark, to "refuse all subsidies and appropriations to railroad and other enterprises outside of the indispensable machinery of the Government." Among the tax-payers there is no second opinion on the subject. Their demand is that the subsidizing system be stopped. They have seen the shameless waste of money and land in connection with railroads in progress, and they call upon Congress to terminate a process which develops corruption and exposes the Treasury to bankruptcy.

Will the Senate heed the cry? The latest information is that the Committee on Pacific Railroads, in that body, has finally consented to subsidies in aid of other roads. Its members, or a majority of them, have agreed to disregard the wishes of the country, and to add very seriously to the yearly liabilities of the Government. Nobody imagines that this decision has been dictated by a desire to promote the public welfare. It is the result of intrigues and influences, of considerations and combinations, which should excite the unyielding opposition of all who would have a reputation for clean hands. If the Senate lack firmness to stamp out the scheme, and frustrate the tricks of the lobbyists and speculators by whom it is promoted, at least the House may be relied upon, we hope, to interpose its power. The thing is too scandalous to be encouraged in any way.

The final clause of the resolution has a certain significance for the advocates of oppressive Customs' duties. Connecticut is more in harmony with Mr. WELLS than with the monopolists. His plan is identical with that of the New-Haven Convention. It is, in the words of the latter, "to remove taxation from labor and necessaries of life, and to impose it as far as possible upon articles of luxury." The principle is as sound as it is beneficent. It has no affinity with the policy that would make a heavy tariff still more burdensome, and in all changes would care more for limited and favored interests than for the comfort and prosperity of the people. In the position affirmed by the Connecticut Republicans, there is nothing incompatible with that moderate and just protection which results incidentally from the requirements of revenue. There is simply an aversion to the greed of classes which clamor continually for special advantages, and in the pursuit of excessive gains are indifferent to the real interests of labor.

The Reduction of the Army.

It is agreed on all hands that a reduction of the army is both practicable and desirable; and yet, in the multiplicity of *methods* of reduction, it begins to be somewhat questionable whether some of the various plans will not so counteract as to give us no immediate reduction at all.

Congress, meanwhile, has unquestionably gone to work in the right way by taking the opinions of sound and able officers of intelligence, candor and experience. The remedy proposed by nearly all these officers is *consolidation*—consolidation of all sorts, from companies in the field up to bureaus in Washington; and Secretary SCHOFIELD capped the climax by suggesting the consolidation of the War and Navy Departments under one head.

Now, the important and hopeful feature in this theory of "consolidation" is that it reduces expenses in the *most expensive part* of the military establishment—namely, among officers. You must discharge a great many private soldiers before you equal the saving made by mustering out one officer. You can defray with a Major-General's pay and allowances the wages of a great many soldiers. Hence, we say, the striking feature of the plans proposed of late by officers for reducing the army is this wholesale slaughter among departmental bureaus where so much mere clerkly work is done by those who have the rank and pay of high commissioned officers.

And yet, the moment that a proposition is broached to carry "consolidation" into practical effect, it arouses hostility. For example, Mr. WILSON'S bill proposes to reduce the infantry regiments to thirty, by consolidating such of them as may at any time fall below a certain fixed mark of regimental strength, from the natural causes of depletion. This proposition calls out opposition on the ground that it "destroys the identity of regiments" and "blots out their record." But, after all, you must either do that or blot out *some* regiments altogether. You cannot have your cake and eat it. And we venture to say that this mode of reduction would be more acceptable in general than the rude turning out of their profession of officers whose only crime is that they are *de trop*.

Many of the new regiments are officered by men once connected with old ones, and promoted to their new commands for special gallantry in the war. What will you do with them? Turn them out altogether? Set them adrift, with no profession? It seems to us that Mr. WILSON'S proposition is much more just in making the reduction less sudden, and providing vacancies for officers whom we raised to their places only the other day. The fact is, that we treat the army officers rather cavalierly, in thus constantly expanding and contracting the army by legislation, each time snapping off official heads by the score in the process. It was we who appointed them to their present commands, mainly as rewards for service, and we should, therefore, make our economies do as little injustice as possible to them. It is worse than perpetually giving medals for service and then taking them away again for a whim; because it is *occupations* that we are dealing with.

It is also clear that in any system of reorganization, some sacrifice of the constituent parts of corps must be made. But, by leaving details to the War Department—and, substantially, to Gen. GRANT—Mr. WILSON'S bill provides that practical justice may be done. The right regiments will doubtless be consolidated, the right names, numbers and flags will remain. As it is, there is a perpetual ebb and flow of the rank and file in every regiment, whereby, though its traditions and honors remain, its actual members change. As for officers, their own promotions carry them from regiment to regiment.

Our purpose, however, is not specially to commend Senator WILSON'S bill as the best possible method of reduction. On the contrary, we think that in connection with it, some peremptory reduction could be effected. We only wished to show that it is hopeless to wait for a plan to which no possible objection could be raised.

How to Keep Steamers from Sinking.

The loss of the *Hibernia* developed another vulnerable point in steamships—the admission of water through the stern tube, by the breaking of the screw shaft. Although such an accident is not likely to occur often, it shows that even bulkheads may sometimes be inadequate, and that a reasonable assurance of safety involves not only means of *keeping* water out, but means of pumping it out.

In every ocean steamer that has gone to the bottom—the *Arctic, Pacific, Connaught, Hibernia,* and a score besides from our own ports—there has been, at the very time of the disaster, straining noiselessly within their boilers, the power of three thousand to five thousand horses—a power sufficient to clear the ship of water, though you might drive a coach and six through the hole—a power adequate, ample and ready at hand, but utterly wasted *for the want of means through which to act.* And there are several well-tested devices to which the whole boiler power of the ship might be applied. The centrifugal pump is undoubtedly the most efficient, but pumps and engines enough to work up 8,000-horse power would cost twenty or thirty thousand dollars—if that is an insuperable objection—and all this machinery, being generally out of use, might not be in running order when wanted. A correspondent of the London *Times* has made a new suggestion, which has been favorably received by the engineering Press. It is to apply a direct steam jet to the lifting of the water, as it is now applied to the lifting of ashes from the hold. The apparatus is simply an annular jet of steam round a 6-inch pipe, which creats a vacuum and raises the water. Each apparatus takes up no more room than a stove-pipe, and enough of them to utilize the whole boiler power might be placed all round the sides of the vessel. Two hundred of them could be worked, and would discharge 1,000 cubic yards, or some 800 tons of water per minute. Three thousand-horse power, fully utilized, would lift above 2,000 tons of water 20 feet high per minute. To start the apparatus mentioned, it would only be necessary to *turn a cock*—it is always ready. This improvement should be taken in hand at once.

Turkey and Montenegro—Fresh Trouble in the East.

Although pacific counsels are said to have prevailed at Athens at the last moment, it looks very much as if the Hellenic Government had been secretly taking measures for smiting Turkey under the fifth rib, had not the Great Powers intervened to prevent the outbreak of hostilities. Without any previous intimation that trouble was brewing in that quarter, we are suddenly informed by cable that a sanguinary engagement has taken place between the Turks and Montenegrins at a point on the frontier of Montenegro and the Turkish province of Herzegovina. In the absence of further details, we can only presume that the affair grew out of either a deliberate invasion of Turkish territory by the Montenegrins, or an attempt on their part to foster insurrection in Herzegovina. In either case, taking into consideration the attitude maintained up to the present week by Greece, it is not easy to resist the conclusion that Greek influence has been at work, and had some share in producing so unexpected an outbreak. The Montenegrins have long fretted against the nominal suzerainty of the Porte, and their favorite means of causing annoyance and injury to Turkey has been by fomenting disturbances in the adjoining province of Herzegovina, still under direct Turkish rule. Every grown man in the principality of Monterego is a guerilla soldier, both by nature and training, never laying aside his arms and equipments, even while engaged in everyday pursuits of agriculture. Thanks to the mountainous and inaccessible nature of the whole country, they have more than once given the Turks a good deal of trouble, and in 1862 they were only thoroughly subdued after a regular campaign by OMAR PACHA at the head of 30,000 men. Slavic in race and Greek in creed, though until recently recognizing their Vladika or Prince as the spiritual as well as the temporal head of the nation, they are among the first to whom Greece would turn as effective allies in harassing Turkey and spreading insurrectionary disturbances among the Slavic Christians in her European provinces. It is possible that the Turks may have thought that prevention was better than cure, and been the aggressors in the matter; but the more probable theory is that Prince NICOLAS, secretly instigated by Greece, has attempted to strike another blow against the obnoxious supremacy still claimed by Turkey. Had not he relied upon the attention of Turkey being distracted by a foreign war, he would have hardly taken so bold a step so soon after his thorough defeat of seven years ago. Should our supposition be correct, he will scarcely thank Greece for having led him into his present position and then left the field herself.

Whatever the origin of the affair, however, it strikingly illustrates the critical condition of the East of Europe. Even now, the insurrectionary movement may spread, until Greece finds both an excuse for recalling her acceptance of the recommendations of the Conference—if she really has accepted them—and an opportunity of striking a blow with effect. The chronic disaffection among the Christian inhabitants of European Turkey is as deep-rooted as ever, and in spite of the pacific assurance of Prince CHARLES, Roumania is rapidly becoming a vast magazine, firearms and ammunition of the most improved kinds being daily imported into the principality in large quantities. Diplomacy may have averted the danger in one form, but a wide-spread rising in Turkey would be fully as fruitful a source of danger in the future, and far less amenable to diplomatic treatment. It remains to be seen whether Prince NICOLAS will abandon the struggle, now that Greece has yielded, or decide upon fighting it out. If the engagement were really on the scale implied in the telegraphic account, we should be inclined to fear that too much blood had been spilled for a reconciliation to be practicable just yet, and in a district such as that in which the collision has occurred, fighting is only too certain to spread far beyond its original limits.

MINOR TOPICS.

A rigorous application of law against crime is the only means of its repression; and there is hope for the maintenance of public safety and order, now that the *Courts are trying the effect of prompt justice and severe sentences* upon the audacious criminals who have recently been raiding at their will upon the lives and property of our citizens. DOYLE, the "butcher-cart" operator, who was arrested on Monday night, pleaded guilty yesterday, on various charges, before Recorder HACKETT, and *was immediately sentenced to Sing Sing for forty years.* The prosecuting officer demanded that his punishment should be quick and severe, as a warning to those desperadoes who are now infesting the City. The burglar JONES, also, who was arrested a few days ago, was yesterday sentenced by Judge BARNARD to Sing Sing *for twenty years.* Three other burglars were yesterday sentenced by Recorder HACKETT to five years each in Sing Sing; and on the day previous two other equally just sentences were pronounced by the Recorder. In his charge to the Grand Jury on Tuesday, Recorder HACKETT said we had now a man in the Governor's chair (HOFFMAN) who was sure not to make much use of his power of pardoning criminals. So that now, at least, we may indulge the hope of having a good proportion of the wild beasts of society kept chained behind iron bars.

It is delightful to witness the growth of Congressional amenities. When Mr. WOODWARD yesterday, in referring to the New-York election frauds, spoke of the "disgraceful incarceration" of a citizen by Congress, the Speaker compelled him to take back the word "disgraceful," as the Speaker did not see how a *disgraceful* act could be *properly* done by Congress. In making the point of order, Mr. ROBINSON reminded the House that the word disgraceful was a more severe expression than that for which he himself had been called to order the day before. Still another step was yesterday taken in behalf of the "dignity of the House," when Mr. HOLBROOK was brought before the bar in charge of the Sergeant-at-Arms, and severely censured by the Speaker, for using insulting language toward Gen. BUTLER. In course of time we may actually see Congress behaving in such a manner as to command public respect.

A true bill for manslaughter was yesterday found by a Washington Grand Jury against a man who, without medical knowledge or skill, administered morphine to a woman with fatal effect. It would startle a good many of the quack doctors and illegal practitioners hereabouts to have a "true bill" of this nature found by a Grand Jury in New-York. It would also be an advantage to the public.

The method and audacity of our robbers and plunderers are things to wonder at. A day or two since one of a gang on the Hudson River Railroad called out and bid all the passengers in the car move on to the next, whereupon his friends, as the people hurried out, hustled and robbed them. We have had any number of other cases hardly less startling of late. We hope *all* the rogues in society will not break out, for if they do the honest men will have no chance at all against them.

The result of the Greco-Turkish Conference in Paris, is a justification of the Conference system, which NAPOLEON has advocated for the settlement of so many disputes within the last twenty years. Without the Conference there would certainly have been war between Turkey and Greece, and there can hardly be a doubt that the Great Powers would soon have been drawn into the quarrel. The Emperor very justly rejoices over the success of the Conference.

WARD'S "Indian Hunter," an admirable bronze statue, of heroic size, by one of the foremost sculptors of modern times, has been purchased by a number of our wealthy citizens and presented to the Central Park, where it will be appropriately placed under the direction, we trust, of the artist himself. The correspondence on the subject shows an appreciation of a genuine work of art, which is eminently pleasing in such times as these. The donors, after referring to it as a "work so truly American in subject and so admirably executed by one of our native and most celebrated sculptors," say that "both in Europe and America it justly ranks among the best examples of the plastic art for its bold and vigorous treatment and its faithful delineation." The Comptroller of the Park, in accepting the gift, concurs in the highest estimate of the "ability shown by the distinguished artist in the conception and execution of this beautiful work," and offers the warmest thanks to the donors on behalf of all those who are now "afforded the opportunity to admire the exquisite proportions of this justly celebrated statue." These eulogiums are well-merited, and will be concurred in by all *connoisseurs.* In presence of a collection of WARD'S works, completed and designed, one of the finest critics of the day said that "nothing equal to them had been produced since the days of the Greeks."

No fillibusters have gone to Cuba from this country; and therefore there is no necessity for the French and English Governments taking steps (as suggested by the *Court Journal*) to prevent fillibustering. In discussing the question, the *Court Journal* says that if Spain should lose Cuba, or be induced, by unavoidable circumstances, to sell it, "then England and France would be seriously injured, and the total loss of their colonies in the West Indies would be only a mere question of time." It argues that by our acquiring Cuba, the "loss to England will be greater than to France, in consequence of the prospect that the shortest maritime way to the East Indies will are long be by the opening of the channel through the Isthmus of Darien; and in case of a war with the United States, this route could easily be barred by them, if in possession of the prominent colonies in the West Indies, and thus masters of the sea there." This is certainly one of the strongest reasons we have yet seen for our acquiring a foothold in the West Indies; but we shall not attempt the acquisition by fillibustering.

The case of OSBORNE against the Union Ferry Company, with its origin in 1863, its subsequent decision against the plaintiff, the appeal and then the reversal, shows what a desperate thing it is to get damages from any of the corporations for personal injury, and suggests that some sort of arbitration system should be adopted to meet such emergencies. As it is, the sufferers try to fleece the companies, and the latter try to shirk all responsibility, while the lawyers rejoice in the long and harrassing contest, and foster the evil spirit of rapacity and injustice on both sides. That simple, commonsense plan of arbitration in all cases of difference, would prove one of the greatest blessings of modern society, and train people into the thoughts and habits of fairness and justice.

If the College of New-York would retain the respect and confidence of the public, and secure the highest benefit to the students for whose behoof it is maintained by the City, there must be great care to secure men of the highest character and attainments for the professional chairs. If the College authorities are able to find men who have demonstrated their qualifications and capacity, and whose works indicate the measure of their fitness, the credit of the College and the advantage of its students will be assured. In the filling of a chair, no considerations of any other kind, must be admitted, and on no account must considerations of this kind be ignored. For the vacant Professorship of Civil and Military Engineering, there is a candidate whose practical services in military engineering during the war, and whose testimonials of ability, cannot possibly be equaled by any other candidate that could be found; and we do not doubt that in the forthcoming election the Board of Trustees will be guided by the principles that in such cases are applicable.

As regards the Fenian prisoners in England, WARREN, COSTELLO, HALPIN and MCCAFFERTY, it is very probable they will be thrown in among the varied ingredients of the grand international cauldron or "kettle of fish" which our Ambassador to England has been for some time bringing to the point of projection with Lords STANLEY and CLARENDON. The poor fellows will find themselves strangely jumbled up with the islands of Juan de Fuca, and balanced in a bewildering way against the burnings of pirate SEMMES in the Mozambique Channel. But it will be the liberating ordeal, and they will yet be rejoiced over at the Cooper Institute, very likely. Their Fenian friends should pray for the success of Mr. JOHNSON'S cookery.

Recorder HACKETT complains that the City is cut up into "little Police principalities, each jealous of the others," and that the Police are indisposed to give effectual help in "ferreting out testimony." On the other hand, the Police say the Judges are too apt to let the criminals go after the evidence has been ferretted out. It is a muddle of complaint and recrimination, such as is never heard in London, Paris or any of the Old World metropolises. On this subject it may be further remarked that the "Maher" phase of the Rogers murder did not show itself till after the Coroner and his men had "given it up." Most assuredly there is a great want of concerted management in our modes of carrying out the ends of justice, to the great comfort and encouragement of our Ishmaelites and freebooters.

The Police Report contains an excellent recommendation on the subject of the poor people who are in the habit of sleeping at the Station-houses, to the number of 90,000 or 100,000 persons in a twelvemonth. The report recommends some houses of better accommodation for such a purpose; and this is a matter on which the City authorities, or some humane civic society, should have acted before now. It is demoralizing to bring the poor into places meant for criminals. Charity to poor persons should carry with it some moral influence, and this is a thing which cannot be expected in the Station-houses. The Police should be no longer burdened with the care of paupers—a piece of duty for which they were never intended, and for which they are not fitted. It is one of the singular disgraces of New-York that there are in it no decent refuges for poor people in temporary want of a night's lodging.

M. CHEVALIER, the Swiss aeronaut, has brought over to this country a monster balloon, with a bamb-built car, for the purpose of getting means to cross the Atlantic in the same. He believes the thing can be done, if he can only get up to a current of air rolling eastward with the globe itself at a height of eight or ten thousand feet. No doubt he would have come over in his balloon, if that current had been the other way. As it is, he relies upon it, and means to go up toward it. We hope he will not attempt to cross so large a tract of water without making sure of his "trade wind," so to speak, and do not feel any great sympathy for an enterprise in which a man, however courageous and skillful, must be carried at the mercy of every wind that blows, like a feather.

Nova Scotia has lowered the standard of "repeal," and will probably throw it aside very shortly, since Sir JOHN MACDONALD has agreed to bring in a bill reducing the Province debt from eleven millions, as fixed by the Constitution, to nine millions, and giving her an annual subsidy of about eighty thousand dollars for ten years. At the same time the Province House, which cost $250,000, is to be taken by the Dominion and allowed for. Under such circumstances our hopes of seeing that flourishing dependency rush into our federal circle within the present year, or the next, have grown rather faint.

The Butler-Kilpatrick Match.

The "return match" in the "home and home" series between Gens. BUTLER and KILPATRICK is going on finely. The "innings" (to borrow a figure from cricket) at Lowell last Fall, ended in the bowling out of KILPATRICK, with a very small score. In the present Washington match, BUTLER first went to the bat, and it looked for a while as if his Chili friend would be also *batted* out of his game, with neither honors nor profits. But now the latter has suddenly retrieved himself, so that we are already prepared to hail him victor.

We speak thus metaphorically of the contest over the "consolidation of the South American Missions," (which, after being effected in the House, at BUTLER'S instance, has just been undone again in the Senate, at KILPATRICK'S instance,) because those gentlemen represent this to be "purely a personal matter." Or, rather, Gen. BUTLER takes the ground that he is proceeding from purely patriotic and Gen. KILPATRICK from purely personal motives, while Gen. KILPATRICK makes, curiously enough, exactly the same point against Gen. BUTLER. KILPATRICK says that BUTLER resolved last November to "crush KILPATRICK," and that "now the blow has come." If so, not only does KILPATRICK evidently have "claims on Chili," (probably on account of "the *Te Deum*") but BUTLER as evidently admits that he has claims, or else he himself would not try to "crush KILPATRICK" in this particular way.

BUTLER, we repeat, carried the House by a great majority, while KILPATRICK has carried the Senate by a majority equally great. Which of the two must yield? BUTLER defends his proposition on the highest of grounds—economy; and that is precisely the ground on which KILPATRICK defends his. Which is right? And *is* it a "national" or a "personal" matter,—this union of the Chili and Peru Missions? Here is a fine chance for oil on the troubled waters—for a compromise between BUTLER and KILPATRICK, arranged by some mutual friend of both.

The Shipowner's Convention—An Important Movement.

The resolutions of the Convention of Shipowners and Captains reported from Philadelphia and published in our issue of yesterday, have a certain clear ring, a sensible sound, and apparently inaugurate a practical policy. The object of the Convention as announced is not to fix the rates of pay of seamen, pilots, officers and others, but to remedy abuses to which shipowners have long submitted, because, as the Convention thinks, they have not been united in action to abate them. Two of these abuses are mentioned in the resolutions; the others are not definitely stated; but there are many which can be named. We have before alluded to certain abuses in which American seamen and shipowners are alike deeply interested; and again call the attention of the latter to the same subject.

The American shipping interests have suffered terribly of late years at the hands of the British, as all who know anything about the *Alabama* claims are well aware. The same interests are suffering at the same hands in another way, and one which, to remedy, requires prompt and united action among American shipowners, captains and seamen. The English shipowners have provided themselves with an admirable act regulating their merchant marine, which is so perfect in its practical operation that the discipline among the crew of a British merchant vessel is as nearly complete as on a vessel of the Royal navy. It has now been in operation for fifteen years, and during that time it has resulted not only in abolishing the boarding and shipping masters who contaminated and then shipped drunken, riotous and incompetent men, just as the same class now do in this country, but it has driven all seamen without character from under the British flag. By its provisions no sailor can be shipped in England unless he can show an honorable discharge from his last ship, and this rule is strictly enforced, the shipowner being prevented from receiving on board his ship any sailor without the proper license of the Government shipping office. A full account of the operation of this law was given in the TIMES last week.

The result of the expulsion of every British seaman from the British merchant service for drunkenness, insubordination or incompetency, is that some American ship receives him. He goes to the nearest American shipping master in Liverpool or London, or wherever he may have been discharged in disgrace, and ships on the first American vessel which leaves port. In this way the American merchant marine has been filled up with the refuse of British ships. Shipping masters and boarding-house keepers in this country add to the numbers of bad seamen by inducing other British seamen to desert by the promise of higher wages and larger advances on American ships. These men are shipped without regard to character; and there are many ships which go out of our ports in charge of crews of mutinous rascals shipped at the dictation of those still greater rascals, the "land-sharks;" and the only wonder is that so few ships are seized by them or wrecked through their incompetency or drunkenness.

It is thus that the British law affects our shipping interests. The worst class of British seamen are forced upon us to endanger our shipping interests, disgrace the service, and keep down the wages of American seamen. In the event of a war these characters would soon be in the national navy—a consequence not to be anticipated without a shudder. The remedy, as we have frequently urged, is in the adoption of a law similar to that of England. If the Shipowners and Captains' Association will effect the passage of such an act of Congress it will remedy the greatest abuse of the American Merchant Service. In the securing of such an act, which, while preventing the American service from being a sort of penal colony for England's culprit sailors, will also abolish the landlords and shipping agents as now organized in this country, the sailors now on strike in this City can consistently join. And they will act wisely if they do so, and thoroughly agitate this subject while it is before the public, and while exertions in the same direction are being made by benevolent associations.

The Proposed Ocean Yacht Race.

We learn by the cable that Mr. ASHBURY, owner of the English yacht *Cambria*, has accepted the challenge of Mr. DOUGLASS to an ocean race between her and the *Sappho*. But we regret to find that Mr. ASHBURY has burdened his acceptance with conditions which, as it seems to us, would entirely deprive the proposed contest of all title to be termed either an "ocean race" or a fair trial of speed between an American yacht and an English yacht. It is true that but a few years ago a yacht race across the English Channel, from Spithead to Cherbourg, was known as an ocean race, in contradistinction to the usual in-shore races in the Solent or round the Isle of Wight. But ever since the exploits of the *Henrietta, Fleetwing* and *Vesta*, a very different meaning has been attached to the words. And ever since the first suggestion of an international race between the *Sappho* and any English yacht willing to take up the challenge, it has been understood that it should take place over a *bond fide* ocean course—either across the Atlantic, or at least from Cowes to the Azores and back. But the course proposed by Mr. ASHBURY certainly cannot be called an ocean course. From Cowes round by Spithead, thence down the Channel as far as Eddystone Light-house, thence to Cherbourg, and home by the Solent to Cowes—why, the entire distance barely exceeds three hundred miles, and at no point of the course would the yachts be forty miles from a port. Mr. ASHBURY suggests this course as best adapted to fairly test the "sea-going qualities" of the yachts. Now their "sea-going qualities" would undoubtedly be tested by a race over the course su

TELEGRAMS.

SPAIN.

Carlist Bands in Catalonia—Civil War Threatened.

MADRID, Thursday, Feb 4.

Bands of Carlists have made their appearance in Catalonia. They came from the Valley of Andorra, and seek to produce a rising against the Provisional Government. Troops have been sent out to disperse them.

The Press of this city, fearing a civil war, urge the Government to take active measures and the people to unite against the reactionary party.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Appeal in the Case of Costello Denied.

LONDON, Thursday, Feb. 4.

The appeal recently made in the case of COSTELLO, the American citizen convicted of complicity in the Fenian revolts, has been denied.

CUBA.

Reported Surrender of Revolutionary Leaders—A General Assassinated.

HAVANA, Thursday, Feb. 4.

For several days a rumor has been current that the revolutionary Gens. CESPEDES and AGUILERA have surrendered to Count VALMASEDA, but the report proves untrue. No news has been received from the Eastern Department.

The journals of Havana have refrained for the past week from publishing news from the seat of war, and it appears as if there was a tacit understanding not to inform the people as to the condition of affairs.

The *Diario* of to-day says that Gen. AUGUSTIN ARANGO, of the revolutionary forces, has been assassinated by his companions.

Indian Raids in Arizona Anticipated—Mining News.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Thursday, Feb. 4.

Late Arizona advices have been received in this city. Friendly Indians state that the Apaches and Wallahays are preparing for vigorous raids on the roads leading from Prescott to the Colorado River. A military escort is still necessary for the mail carriers.

The news from the mining districts is good. Many persons are preparing to go to the Black Canyon diggings. The Hydraulic claims on Lynx Creek are being worked. The valleys of the Gila and Salt Rivers are rapidly filling with settlers from the Southern States. Thirteen families from Texas recently located in one valley.

The Central Pacific Railroad has been completed 510 miles east of Sacramento, 151 miles from the head of Salt Lake, leaving 240 miles of trans-continental road to be built. The track of the Central Pacific Road is being laid at the rate of from three to four miles a day.

The schooner *Legal Tender*, hence Jan. 18 for the Behring Straits, has returned, having encountered one of the heaviest storms ever witnessed on the Pacific.

The steamer *Japan* sailed to-day for Hong Kong, *via* Yokohama, carrying 150 passengers and $480,000 in Treasure, $345,000 of which is for China and $124,000 for Japan.

Flour, $4 75@$5 75; for round lots for export a discount of from 12½c.@25c. is frequently made. Wheat—Choice shipping, $1 75. Legal tenders, 74¾.

A Proposition to Reinstate the Georgia Colored Members of Legislature.

ATLANTA, Ga., Thursday, Feb. 4.

In the Senate to-day a motion to immediately reseat the colored members was refused consideration, and a motion to send Messrs. BROWN, STEPHENS and PARROTT to Washington, as Commissioners, was withdrawn by the original mover. In the House a resolution to submit the eligibility of colored members to the Court was adopted; but a motion to instruct the Judiciary Committee to report a bill bringing the matter immediately before the Court was voted down. Another motion, pledging the House to abide by the decision of the Court, was ignored.

In the Senate, the resolution authorizing Messrs. BROWN, PARROTT and ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS to proceed to Washington and represent the true state of affairs to Congress, and ascertain what solution of the unfortunate difficulties can be had, which will be satisfactory to Congress and compatible with their duties as sworn Senators and Representatives, was withdrawn.

The House refused to refer the eligibility of negroes to the Judiciary Committee.

The question whether any additional legislation is necessary, in order to bring the question of negro eligibility before the Supreme Court now in session, was lost.

Fall of a Roof in Canada—Several Persons Injured.

MONTREAL, Canada, Thursday, Feb. 4.

While the concert and ball at St. Patrick's Hall were in progress last night, two thousand persons being present, a cry was raised shortly before midnight that the roof was giving way, causing intense excitement. All immediately rushed to the street, but while the last were getting out, the roof fell with a tremendous crash. Several persons were injured, but it is hoped none are killed.

SECOND DISPATCH.

MONTREAL, Thursday, Feb. 4.

A concert took place in St. Patrick's Hall last night which was attended by about two thousand persons. Near midnight creaking sounds were heard, and it became evident that the roof of the building was about to fall. Amid intense excitement a rush was made for the street, and every one, it is thought, escaped with their lives, a few, however, being badly injured. The roof fell in with a tremendous crash just as those in the rear were getting out. If the accident had occurred a few moments sooner, a terrible loss of life must have resulted. Eminent architects have been appointed to inquire into the cause of the accident.

Woman Suffrage in Missouri.—Legislative Proceedings.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Thursday, Feb. 4.

A delegation of prominent ladies of St. Louis arrived at Jefferson City yesterday with a petition from the Women's Suffrage Association of Missouri, asking the Legislature to provide for the amendment of the Constitution of the State so as to strike the word male from that instrument. The petition will be presented this afternoon, at which time addresses will be made by some of the ladies on the subject of female suffrage.

The House yesterday passed a bill which provides that any joint stock company or association from another State, transacting business in this State, may sue or be sued in the Courts of this State.

The delegates of the Women's Suffrage Association were received by the Legislature in joint session this afternoon, and treated with marked respect.

Politics in Virginia—Revenue Collections.

RICHMOND, Va., Thursday, Feb. 4.

A meeting of native Virginians was held in Noddoway County, which included farmers and professional men. Resolutions were adopted indorsing the new movement, deprecating further resistance to the Reconstruction acts, and resolving the meeting into a political organization, with the name of "Republican Party." This is the first movement of the kind in the State.

The Revenue collections of this district for the month of January were $126,000, being four times greater than the collections for the same month in 1868.

Execution of a Murderer in Ohio.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Thursday, Feb. 4.

LEWIS DAVIS was hanged at 12:45 o'clock P. M., to-day, in the Cuyahoga County Jail for the murder of D. P. SKINNER, of Independence, in September last.

Skating Match at Buffalo Between Young Women.

BUFFALO, Thursday, Feb. 4.

The skating match for $500 between Miss ADA GODBOUT, of New-Brunswick, and Miss NELLIE DEAN, of Chicago, took place at the Rink this evening, before an assemblage of 4,000 persons. After a very exciting contest the match was won by Miss NELLIE DEAN, the score standing 24 to 21. Miss GODBOUT has challenged Miss DEAN to skate another match for the same amount at the Rink on Saturday evening.

The Illinois Legislature.

CHICAGO, Thursday, Feb. 4.

In the Legislature to-day a joint resolution was passed submitting to the people an amendment to the State Constitution to the effect that the Legislature shall have no power to release the Illinois Central Railroad from the payment of any tax on gross receipts. It is positively asserted in Springfield that Gov. PALMER will veto FULLER's bill to regulate railroad fares.

The Case of Pike, the Wife Poisoner, at Fitchburg.

WORCESTER, Mass., Thursday, Feb. 4.

The examination of ROBERT D. PIKE, the wife poisoner, and Miss ADELAIDE EVANS, the daughter of the victim, who is charged with being accessory to the poisoning, which was to have been held in Fitchburg this morning, has been postponed until Wednesday, the 10th inst.

Failure of a Dry-Goods House in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Thursday, Feb. 4.

A large dry-goods jobbing-house failed here to-day. Its liabilities are said to be $600,000, $70,000 of which are due one house in this city.

Weather Report.

NEW-YORK, Thursday, Feb. 4—9 A. M.

Place.	Wind.	Weather.	Ther.
Plaister Cove	N. E.	Snowing	20
Halifax	S. E.	Snowing	30
Portland	East	Cloudy	27
Boston	S. W.	Raining	33
New-York	W. N. W.	Cloudy	40
Philadelphia	West	Cloudy	40
Wilmington	West	Raining	42
Washington	West	Clear	48
Fortress Monroe	S. W.	Clear	50
Richmond	West	Raining	40
Augusta	West	Cloudy	54
Savannah	S. W.	Cloudy	54
Charleston	West	Clear	52
Oswego	North	Snowing	24
Buffalo	N. E.	Snowing	30
Pittsburg		Snowing	22
Chicago	N. W.	Snowing	19
New-Orleans	West	Cloudy	46

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 4.—The snow-storm has not yet ceased. The roads are badly blockaded. There was a severe thunder-storm during the night.

MONTREAL, Feb. 4.—The snow-storm continues with great fury. Travel will be stopped.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

READING, Penn., Feb. 4.—Capt. JOHN P. HALE, Superintendent of the Scott Foundry and a prominent citizen of this place, died here of typhoid pneumonia to-day. Capt. HALE was a son of Judge HALE, of Centre County, and a brother-in-law of Secretary WELLES.

BOSTON, Feb. 4.—The large cooper shop of HILL & WRIGHT, in East Boston, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss was $12,000 and the insurance $7,000.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 4.—Mrs. MARY DELAND's barn, at Ludlow, was struck by lightning last night, and burned with all its contents.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 4.—CHARLES M. DUPUY, for many years a Professor of the French language in this city, died suddenly to-day from an overdose of chloroform, administered by himself. He was also one time the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows of Maryland. He was a native of France, and about 56 years of age.

FINE ARTS.

There was a brilliant reception last evening in the rooms of the National Academy of Design.

To-morrow afternoon, from 2 to 5 o'clock, the usual studio receptions will take place in the Dodworth building, in Fifth-avenue, and in the Tenth-street building. These pleasant receptions lose none of their popularity by repetition.

THEATRICAL.

The Burlesque Madness.

An epidemic, which the Board of Health is powerless to arrest, has seized upon New-York and infects it in every part, counting its victims by the tens of thousands. It may be called the Mania for Burlesque. Slight touches of it have always been felt among us. Once there was an infected spot called Mitchell's Olympic, where it flourished in every season; after that nest was swept away by advancing civilization, it came upon us intermittently—like some worse things—in the heat of the Midsummer term, at Wallack's and other places. A French variety of it seized upon the vitals of this City over a year ago and held tenaciously to its stake; then the last—the most overwhelming and the most irresistible kind of the disorder, the English, (Blonde,) in the moment of our weakness, swooped upon us, and we are now hopelessly ill of it—even if we are not yet quite sick of it!

At Niblo's Garden it has broken out with unparalleled intensity; at Wood's Museum it has renewed its vigor; at the Theatre Comique it riots amid fresh victims, and the wise ones tell us that it will soon break out at the Waverly Theatre—by which name the once Hope-(less) Chapel is to be hereafter known.

The distinguishing symptom of the epidemic is a singular and easily detected appearance of masses of light and golden hair on the stage of the afflicted theatre; after this symptom the spectator is appalled by observing a tendency in the patients to dispossess themselves of their clothing, and it requires the greatest exertion to keep anything on them; then follow a series of piercing screams called comic singing, distorted and incoherent ravings called puns, and finally, strong convulsions denominated breakdowns and waltk-arounds. Exhaustion supervenes after a fit of two or three hours each night. The remedy for this serious visitation has not yet been revealed. It is uncertain what applications will reduce the disorder—applications for places at the various box offices have been recommended, but the result of that is to increase it. Some dismal folk have predicted destruction to our community from the example of the burlesquers. It is feared that the light hair, the clotheless and the convulsive symptoms may spread to every home and carry desolation to every hearth. The true remedy may yet be adopted by the Hygienic guardians of the Metropolis; this remedy is quarantine! The infection comes through late importations from England; scarcely a steamer arrives here that does not bear fresh quantities of the golden-hair, which once landed on our shores develop into the true raving, roaring, stamping-mad burlesque! We respectfully suggest a strict quarantine and renewed vigilance toward all English vessels.

But to lay aside this figurative style of treating the burlesque madness, and talk of it as it is—one of the engrossing subjects of theatrical amusement—there are some words to be said.

The burlesque is a species of entertainment dangerous to dramatic art, because it defies criticism.

It is folly to weigh the merits of a pun—the strength of rival feminine heels and toes—and those graces of the human form which ought to be concealed from promiscuous gaze.

Art has little, if anything, to do with the success of such entertainments. A pretty face is of more help to it than genius, and distortion is its strongest point. No ugly woman ever made a success in the extravagant *rôles* of burlesque, and no genuine comedian ever made his exit from its wild orgies without feeling heartily ashamed of the antics he had performed to secure the measure of applause that followed him from the scene. Female face and form carry all its honors, and an idiotic parody of masculinity creates its uproarious mirth. No burlesque ever succeeded upon its literary merits. Its wit is tolerated only from a bewitching mouth, and its humor from beneath a painted nose. Its object is to upset decorum, to upset gravity, to disarm judgment, and to intoxicate the senses. If the auditor is so befogged as to carry away no definite idea of it save that he has seen a forest of unveiled limbs snaken by a storm of wild music—its triumph is accomplished. Should he be able to remember a succession of coherent incidents, the burlesque has failed of its intended effect.

It is safe to say that judged by such a standard all the extravaganzas now being performed are unquestionable successes.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—"THE FORTY THIEVES."

Here the well-known Lydia Thompson troupe have increased the furor awakened some months ago at another theatre. The extravaganza of "The Forty Thieves," as produced at Niblo's was originally prepared by Mr. H. J. BYRON for the English market, and has been retouched for the American trade by Mr. H. B. FARNIE. A wearisome weakness marks most of the reconstructed portion. There is none of that paralyzing audacity about the local puns,—such as usually recommends these personalities to ironical shouts which are frequently more hearty than more appreciative laughter,—but the allusions to local themes are for the main part pointless and weak. The burlesque is placed before the public, however, with all the lavish wealth of glitter, costume and accessories that Niblo's Garden is famous for. An immense corps of auxilliaries, including the now imperative *ballet*, clad in shining dresses, crowd the stage, and a novel view of the Robber's Cave—upon exclusive club principles, a silver forest and a brilliant *coup d'œil* called "The Jardin Mabille" are produced as specimens of the taste and skill of the painters and mechanicians of the theatre. In the last scene the feverish indecencies of the Parisian can-can are brazenly interpreted by a motley mass of dancers and strangers there exhibited.

The music embraces of course all the new airs, all the old ones, and all the variations which both will bear. Of the *dramatis personæ* it is to be said that Miss LYDIA THOMPSON, as *Ganem*, offers herself from first to last in a succession of every known and unknown dance, with that amazing restlessness, vim and vigor which gives her the lead in this class of performances, and that she gives several new readings of old nursery rhymes, and sings with a nightly increasing consciousness that she has a larger theatre to fill with her voice than she ever had before. Miss WEBER is the *Morgiana* of the story, and the only novelty in her performance is that she now plays "boy" in female dress, instead of her usual tunics; there is the same freedom and unrestrained *abandon* about her manner,—and she flourishes at Niblo's, as if she had been playing there a year. Miss MARKHAM, who is neither an actress, nor a dancer, nor a singer, nor a creator of comic effects, beams upon the audience as a fine picture in the *rôle* of the robber chief *Abdallah*. The new blonde arrival, Miss GRATTAN, is quite a good match of the latter in talent, &c. Mr. BECKETT continues to recall J. S. CLARKE in his touches of gesture, and does some acrobatic imitations of Bowery melodrama in the part of a ferocious and agreeable bandit. Many of the incidents of the piece are quite amusing, but the length of the performance is rather too great to admit of all being enjoyed. Three hours of unvarying nonsense is altogether too much. The funny things that come first excite the heartiest laughter, however, the most so, that where the "Female Forty Thieves" "present arms," "make ready," and strike a light from forty matches to "fire" forty cigarettes at the word of command, that where a couple of rival suitors bribe the honest Judge with bags of treasure, that where the sleeping *Ali* is rescued from instant destruction by the passing train —— of his wife's dress, and that where the modern "club" occupations of the Thieves in their cave in shown. These things have made an immediate success for "The Forty Thieves," and the piece has drawn crowded houses to Niblo's every night.

THEATRE COMIQUE—"PLUTO."

The burlesque at this house, which is also an adaptation by Mr. FARNIE of one of BYRON'S London successes, is preceded by Mr. W. H. LINGARD's highly interereting personal and protean entertainment. LINGARD's metamorphostical sketches became town-talk a year ago, and hence have none of the claims of novelty upon public attention, but their popularity is little diminished, and the unique transformations of this singular performer impels the same approving outbursts which first attended the exhibition. The characters now personated by Mr. LINGARD differ in some respects from those on his original programme: thus we have, instead of *Captain Jinks*, one *Sergeant Copp*, who is quite a different person altogether, although he belongs to the genus *Pitou*. "A Gent of the First Water" and "Fifth Avenue" are representations in song and individuality also, of a couple of "howling" swells, sketched from the spot, which seem to have set in for a popularity equal to that accorded to the lady "On the Beach at Long Branch." The burlesque, which follows these sketches, is a very free adaptation of mythology to modern uses. *Orpheus* and *Eurydice* are the hero and heroine of this extravaganza, but *Pluto* and not Jupiter is the presiding spirit. Mr. LINGARD plays *Pluto* in a way that shows him to be most effective in imitative mimicry. Mr. GEORGE ATKINS, who was for so many months the comic scourge in the "Black Crook," reappears here as *Eurydice's* cook and housemaid, and in the course of the play offers a ponderous blow to the burlesque madness of the hour, by appearing in the short-shirts, long golden hair, and idiotic antics of the reigning theatrical favorites. The other parts in the extravaganza are mainly played by a number of blondes,—ladies who will compare in the essential particulars with the most popular of their sex in this line now before the public. Miss ALICE DUNNING takes the lead among them for personal charms and electrical vivacity. As *Orpheus* she created the most agreeable effect. In respect of scenery "Pluto" has not been neglected, and Mr. MARSTON has furnished a glittering transformation tableux.

WOOD'S MUSEUM—FIELD OF THE CLOTH OF GOLD.

The entertainment here has been materially curtailed, and passes over a couple of hours now with uninterrupted pleasure to all concerned. The preliminary farce has given way to the ballet of "L'Almee," which now begins the performance and the burlesque begins before the audience has become weary of waiting for it. In performing his work of reconstruction, and preparing "The Field of the Cloth of Gold" to meet local favor, Mr. FLORENCE has not wholly dammed up the more natural sources of fun by such wretched obstructions as silly puns present, and hence the piece of itself is not insufferably dull. The affairs of history are humorously parodied, and the performers burlesque the historical heroes with hearty sense of the ludicrous. The whole is well received, and with a little less singing (which is quite ineffective) would be altogether pleasant. One improvement may be suggested: Let the rival kings ride to their meeting, upon the golden field on a couple of velocipedes, and the localization will tbe complete. The basket-horses now used in the scene are a relic of the past, too much worn to be tolerable on our lively stage. An amusing tournament between *Henry* and *Francis* takes place in the last scene, when the rival monarchs enter a rope ring and box for the Royal championship. The height of the ludicrous is approached when the Police burst in, break up the fight, and arrest the principals. The new *debutante*, Miss ROSE MASSEY, carries off no honors; she neither sings, dances nor acts with more ability than a hundred of her less elevated sisters do. The dresses of the piece are often quite gorgeous. Those of Mrs. FLORENCE are unusually resplendent.

NEW YORK THEATRE.

To a well-balanced mind the next best thing after assisting at a perfect theatrical performance is to witness a thoroughly bad one. The impression which the latter makes is decidedly the most profound. It has the same effect as reading a medical almanac—it makes us feel as if Mankind were all miserable wretches together, and observed nothing but thorns. It is very wholesome, however, and should be tried occasionally as a sort of tonic. Those who desire to follow this recommendation may visit the New York Theatre, and see the efforts of Mr. MCKEAN BUCHANAN and his dramatic exotics, in a play entitled "The Plebian Daughter." The performance is rescued from thorough badness, perhaps, by an occasional gleam of intelligence which marks the acting of Miss BUCHANAN. This young lady is undenishably out of place in the wretched company of actors which surround her, and should be rescued. She has many germs of talent for emotional acting, and a season or two devoted to the apprentice-parts of her art might develop these for the public benefit and her own. As for the rest, we propose a measure by which they will get as much pay with half their present labor: Let them stand still one half the time, give their eyebrows a spell of rest, and speak from their chest—which is about one-third the distance from which they now bring their words.

The Arion Masked Ball at the Academy of Music.

The celebrated Arion Singing Society gave their grand annual masquerade at the Academy of Music last night, with the usual brilliant success. The aim of the Arions is enjoyment, and they spare no expense, at either their public or private entertainments, to obtain the desired result. The stage of the Academy on the present occasion was ornamented at the back with a beauteous scene of snow-capped mountains, beneath which, in the valley below, nestled a river edged with gardens. Upon a jutting crag stood an old German castle, and immediately in front of the glowing canvas, an exhaustless variety of flowers and shrubs clustered round a broad-leaved palm. Many-hued roses, milk-white lilies and camellias, pinks, euphorbias and azelias hung upon their native stems, translated from fragrant conservatories of the suburbs. The Mexican aloe bowed its leaves in graceful fraternity with the orange and the lemon, and high above all towered the slender and bristling yuca. The sides of the gay marquee that canopied the stage were adorned, equally with the lobbies, with these rich reminiscences of the tropics. They rose from urns of snowy white, and filled the air with perfume.

The proceedings opened at 9:30 with the "Arion March," and, on the rising of the curtain which hid the stage, the floor committee, in the red costume of Blue Beard, headed by Capt. SCHINDLER, and the lobby committee, in the blue and white livery of royal pages, paraded and saluted with their swords the guests in the boxes, none of whom were yet allowed upon the floor. A scene of Castle Garden hid the floral glories at the back, and a crowd of emigrants landed, who had arrived to do homage to Prince Carnival. Among those were Queen Isabella, of Spain, the King of Hanover, the Elector of Hesse and other political exiles. Jolly Arion, on leaving his vessel, found the particular trunk of his luggage stolen, which contained his big idea for the ball of the night. This was in allusion to a neighboring singing Society, which lately gave a masquerade and surreptitiously appropriated sundry features which they had heard were intended by the Arion. A detective was called, who discovered the thief, and his likeness was taken as a present Police Superintendent KENNEDY. When the idea was regained, Castle Garden faded away, and the inspirations of Arion were displayed before. Prince Carnival, who sat on a throne, surrounded by brilliant courtiers. The Italian opera managers, Maretzek, Ullman, and Strakosch appeared, leading "Don Juan," "Figaro" and other of their characters, while, from the opposite side, Bateman and Grau, with the "Grand Duchess," *General Baum*, *Boulotte*, and their associates, pressed forward, hurling a cynical defiance. A quarrel ensued, during which "Wagner," in the name of the music of the future, entered, followed by Tannhauser, Venus, Lohengrin, the Flying Dutchman and the Pilgrim Chorus. Prince Carnival, on seeing Venus, proposed matrimony, which that lady of many husbands blushingly accepted. By this act he was supposed to accord the palm to the music of the future, but all parties became friends, conscious that in his spacious principality there was room for all. The Pilgrim Chorus then threw aside their sanctimonious robes, and revealed themselves as harlequins and pierrots, Prince Carnival and his bride descended from their thrones and led a march of all the characters, in which the spectators joined. After this the dancing commenced, and lasted far into the morning. The variety of costumes was greater than at any previous Academy ball of the season. In accordance with German custom, Dreamland was deeply invaded, and gnomes, sprites, demons and fairies, arose from its realms of fancy in profusion. No expense seemed spared upon the dresses. The three of the thirty Blue Beard costumes of the Committee alone cost $1,000. The crowd was great, and the dancing was participated in with true German spirit. Among the invited guests were Gen. GRANT, Gov. HOFFMAN, and Mayor HALL, with all the leading actors and actresses of the City. Among the latter, Miss ALICE DUNNING, of the Theatre Comique, was conspicuous. She is a blonde of rare beauty and faultless type, and was attired as a Daughter of the Regiment. LINGARD, the original Capt. Jinks, was also present for a short period, costumed in the character which has aided his fame. Miss PAULINE MARKHAM, of Wood's Theatre, attracted her usual share of admiration. A flood of pretty dancers from Tammany, Wood's and the Olympic disported themselves likewise upon the floor, and were the recipients of admiring glances from the gentlemen present. Many fashionables of both sexes, German, French and American, were to be seen, and the Arion Ball this year fully sustained its brilliant reputation of the past.

Movements of Gen. Grant.

Gen. GRANT arrived in this City last evening, and at 8 o'clock occupied, with several guests, a private box at Wallack's theatre. His presence was not known to the audience until at the end of the first act he rose to leave. Then he was recognized while passing in the rear of the parquette, through the vestibule and into the street. Gen. GRANT then visited Niblo's, where a genuine ovation awaited him, and where any chance-allusion in the dialogue to the President elect was loudly applauded. At the words "Let us have Peace," uttered by Miss LYDIA THOMPSON in the cave scene, the house literally rose, and the cheering endured several minutes.

PERSONAL.

Gen. SAMPSON MASON died at his residence in Springfield, Ohio, on Sunday last, aged 75 years. Gen. MASON was an able lawyer, had held several offices of trust, and in 1862 was elected State Senator, but resigned after the first session. He was a prominent and active member of the Presbyterian Church, and was stricken with death while listening to the service on Sunday.

Hon. E. B. WASHBURNE, who has been detained at home by severe sickness for several days, has so far recovered that he expects soon to resume his seat in the House of Representatives.

The East River Bridge Legislation.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Before the act now in the lower House is passed, it seems by all means advisable that it should be amended so as to make a more effectual protection to the interests of our City and of Brooklyn, than the bill which passed the Senate.

The pending amendatory act contains four provisions:

First—That the interests of New-York and of Brooklyn shall be respectively represented by three City officers as directors, (the Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Board of Aldermen of each City;) and that "the other members of said board of directors shall be elected by the *other stockholders*."

Second—A mandatory clause that the Company shall proceed without delay to *construct* and complete June 1, 1874:

Third—That the Company may construct foundation piers within the pier lines of the East River, but "*shall not* extend into said river *beyond* the pier lines established by law."

Fourth—That the Company may operate a passenger railway on the bridge, and charge City rates within the bridge length.

As to the first clause, it appears that our Brooklyn friends, without any of the usual preliminary advances and courtesies, came upon both branches of our Common Council of 1868, in the very dying hours of that body, and obtained a conditional subscription of $1,500,000, and similar diligence in Brooklyn obtained a subscription there of $3,000,000. The total capital stock being $5,000,000, and the representation of these cities being limited to six directors, it follows that the remaining item of $500,000, in a Board which may contain twenty-one and which must contain thirteen directors, will hold the entire control of this corporation and do with our investment what it pleases. It also appears that of the original incorporators we stand as ten New-Yorkers to twenty-six Brooklyn men, and that it is not intended to give New-York any adequate representation in the "other" election, according to the authority of the Brooklyn *Eagle*. Under this arrangement our Brooklyn friends can manage all the details of the work exclusively to their own interests, without remedy for us.

In the various discussions pro and con which have attended this project for a year or two past, several important facts have been apparent.

It is not by any means certain as yet, that the plan of this bridge, as now adopted, and to be consummated by this legislation, is judicious as to its location, its level, its central span, its details of structure, its pier foundations, or its cost. On our side of the river it is intended to start opposite the Registrar's office, at the City Hall Park, and from thence to the river, to occupy 2,831 feet of valuable business property and streets, to Pier No. 20. The excessive length of this approach is due to the elevation assumed as indispensable for the river span, and also to want of study as to the propriety and advantages of lateral, in place of direct approaches. Whether the usual processes for taking lands can be conducted in the same conclusive manner which procured the Common Council subscriptions, is a question open to some doubt, and bearing with considerably force on the mandatory assumptions of the second section of the amendment, which may have been inserted to insure an early contract. In any case, it is certain that this approach will seriously and needlessly injure our public interests at its commencement.

From these discussions it also appears that there is ground for grave apprehension of the stability of this structure, as designed, in the particulars above named, as has been demonstrated in the public papers and before the Institute of Civil Engineers, by competent authority. The interests of our investment should have been duly guarded in this respect before it was made; but as no public opportunity was given in this direction, it is evident that some provision should be incorporated in this law, making it peremptory, before any contracts are made, or any money is spent, that the interests of New-York, in all these particulars, should be thoroughly canvassed by a scientific Board, independent of Brooklyn influences, who may decide for us, whether all these municipal and private interests shall be sacrificed by this location, and whether or no there is any contingency of doubt as to any detail of construction in the proposed plan.

On another point it is important that our City interests should be guarded. When we are asked to share in an expenditure of $5,000,000 for a single bridge, practically of 1,600 feet span, when the cost of the great Victoria Bridge at Montreal, nearly two miles long, was estimated at $6,250,000; when the Highland Suspension Bridge, in the heart of the rugged mountains, of the same span, for heavy railway traffic, is estimated at $3,750,000; and when Col. ADAMS' estimate is published at $4,750,000, we have reason to look on it as a very extravagant item, out of which somebody or other will make a round profit. But when we find it intimated in the papers evidently *au fait* in the secret processes of this speculation, that the cost of construction will be about $8,000,000, *exclusive* of the excessive land damages and contingencies, and it is also intimated that a Brooklyn contracting firm, famous for large profits, is already connected with this project, in arrangement if not in deed, at this enormous figure, we begin to understand how important it is in Kings County that New-York should not be properly represented in the direction, and who it is that is interested in the speedy union of the great cities. In this view of the case it is imperative that our representatives at Albany should insist on the additional provision that no contracts should be let by this corporation except under public competition to the lowest responsible and competent bidders, and that the work should be so subdivided as to insure an economical as well as substantial construction.

In view of the uncertainties which yet surround this plan, and the certainty that the limited area of a single pier central pier must offer no obstacle to river navigation, the act should contain a clause making such a pier available if found important.

When the funded debt of Brooklyn is now no less than $20,607,250, and New-York about $26,000,000, we submit to our friends across the river whether what we ask is not entirely reasonable and judicious, and whether it is wise to run the risk of a further debt of $4,500,000, out of which the practical return in actual value of work done may not exceed one-third, at all events, if the citizens of Brooklyn, outside of this incorporation, cannot or will not guard their own interests, let them not blame us on this side for an act of forethought, even at the eleventh hour of our wasteful day.

ALBANY.

New Bills Before the Legislature—Doings in Both Houses—Gov. Hoffman—A Thunder Storm.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 4, 1869.

The present Legislature is bound to provide itself with plenty of work to do during its hundred days' session, whatever disposition it may manifest to do it. Two hundred and twenty-six new bills have already been introduced into the Senate, and four hundred and forty-five in the Assembly. Half a dozen special committees have been appointed to investigate all sorts of alleged abuses, and buncombe resolutions, designed to facilitate the delivery of buncombe speeches, have been offered without number. Meantime, four weeks of the session have already passed and next to nothing has been accomplished. Considering the character of a large number of the bills now before the Legislature, perhaps it would be as well for the State if they were to adjourn now and leave their work where it is.

PRESIDENT PRO TEM. OF THE SENATE—THE ALBANY BASIN.

The Senate this morning elected Mr. FOLGER President *pro tem.*, to occupy the chair of the Lieutenant-Governor whenever he may be absent from his post during the session, as he is to-day. The session of this body was occupied, as it has been for three days past, in discussing the bill appropriating $20,000 to repair the Albany Basin. An unexpected opposition to the bill has developed itself, and, not withstanding the Attorney-General's indorsement, its passage is now considered doubtful. No one appears to be able to decide whether the State or the City of Albany is liable for the repairs.

The Assembly has been occupied to-day with general orders, but an evening session is to be held, when Mr. BERGEN'S resolution indorsing Gov. HOFFMAN'S message, or that part of it relating to the Municipal Government of New-York City, is made the special order.

THE CHENANGO CANAL EXTENSION.

Among the general orders considered in Committee of the Whole to-day was Mr. TRUMAN'S on bill, imposing a tax of three-sixteenths of a mill each dollar of the taxable property of the State for the next two years, to raise money to complete the extension of the Chenango Canal. Mr. SELKREG made a very convincing speech in favor of the public utility and necessity of the measure, and as a bill imposing a similar tax last year passed the Legislature, the chances of this one are considered good. In answer to a question of Judge CAMPBELL, Mr. TRUMAN said that the State Engineer had estimated that it would require only $350,000 more to complete the extension and open up the rich coal fields of Pennsylvania to easy access from the interior of the State. The amount expected to be realized by the bill is $650,000.

GOV. HOFFMAN—A THUNDER SHOWER.

Gov. HOFFMAN returned from New-York last night, but was detained from attendance at the Executive chamber to-day by temporary illness.

The citizens of Albany were favored with an unusual meteorological phenomenon last evening in the shape of a thunder shower, accompanied with the most brilliant flashes of lightning, which continued for an hour or more. The rain took the form of hail before it reached the ground, and during the night transformed itself into an old-fashioned snow storm, which has continued to the present writing. S.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.. ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 4.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. WILLIAMS—To amend the charter of Red Creek, Wayne County.

By Mr. PRICE—To extend the time for the organization of the New-York Elevator Company until May, 1870.

By Mr. NICHOLS—To provide for draining lands in Amherst, Erie County.

By Mr. MORRIS—To provide means for supplying pure water to the village of Dunkirk, and to create a Board of Water Commissioners.

By Mr. FOLGER—To appropriate $4,500 for the payment of services and expenses of State Assessors. Also, to provide that cemetery lands shall be exempt from taxes, provided each proprietor shall have actually used, or faithfully determined to use, the same as places of interment for a family burying lot.

By Mr. CROWLEY—To provide for the construction of a culvert to the Erie Canal in the town of Pendleton, Niagara County.

By Mr. HUBBARD—To make a free bridge over the Susquehanna River in the town of Bainbridge.

BILLS PASSED.

To change the name of the Lellis Safe and Iron Company to the Mineral Vale Safe and Iron Works.

For the relief of HIRAM WEEKS.

The President presented the report of the New-York State Institution for the Blind. The total expenditures of the institution for the year 1868 were $38,673.

Also the report of the De Veaux College for Orphan Children. This institution received from all sources during the past year $21,839 23; expenditures, $21,324 97.

The remainder of the morning hour was spent in discussion of the Albany Pier bill, after which the Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

The following bills were ordered to a third reading:

For a General Theological Seminary.

To legalize the acts of JOSEPH GUTMAN as a notary public.

To settle the accounts of THOMAS D. GILSON, a former *attaché* of Clinton Prison.

The Assembly then took a recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The Assembly this evening, DENNIS BURNS in the chair, considered the message of Governor HOFFMAN.

LAWRENCE D. KIERNAN, of New-York, spoke in defence of the message, and Mr. LA BAU, in opposition.

Mr. BERGEN followed in support of the message, after which the Assembly adjourned.

THE VREELAND CASE.

Evidence of the Defendant—The Case to be Summed Up To-day.

The case of HARRISON *vs.* VREELAND, for breach of promise of marriage, was resumed at the Hudson County, N. J., Court yesterday morning. The remaining witnesses called on the part of the plaintiff testified mainly upon two points—in regard to VREELAND's wealth, and also as to the fact whether his visits to Mrs. HARRISON were regarded as preliminary to marriage.

Mrs. Mary Gorham testified that she knew the painti**ff**, Mrs. Harrison, and also the defendant; she was introduced to the defendant in the Summer of 1863 at the house of Mrs. McLean, in Newark; Mrs. Harrison was also there, and she heard it from reliable persons that Mrs. Harrison was making preparations to be married.

Stephen Vreeland testified that he was a resident of Greenville, and knew the plaintiff and defendant; saw the latter at Mrs. Harrison's house once, but did not recollect any subjects of conversation; had known the defendant for many years and knew him to be a man of means; defendant owns a farm in Greenville of about thirty acres; witness understood that he sold twenty or thirty acres three years ago for $2,000 per acre; he believed that the defendant also sold about ten acres two years ago for $2,000 per acre; the defendant was reputed to be very wealthy, but witness could not say how much he was worth.

Adam Rolf testified that he resided at Greenville, and that he was Collector of Taxes; in 1867 Mr. Vreeland's personal estate was assessed at $103,000; the farm which was worth nearly $100,000 being assessed to his sons.

Several other witnesses gave evidence to the fact that Mr. VREELAND had repeatedly visited Mrs. HARRISON at her house, but no new facts were elicited. Among others, Miss JULIA HARRISON, a young lady, aged about 20 years, testified that defendant visited her mother at frequent intervals during three or four years; at their interviews the witness was never present.

The decree of the Court in the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. SHELLY, who claimed to be defendant's wife was placed in evidence, when the plaintiff's counsel announced their case closed.

Mr. FLEMING opened the case for the defence, and proposed to show that there was never any agreement of marriage between the parties, but that it was a well devised scheme for extorting money from the old man who had "been a resident here for nearly a century."

Geo. W. Dilloway, sworn—I reside at Greenville and know the parties in this suit; have known Mrs. Harrison ten or twelve years; about the Fall of 1863 Mrs. Harrison submitted for my views a paper; it was the release executed by her to Mr. Vreeland; she spoke of suing Mr. Vreeland for breach of promise, and thought of fixing the amount at $10,000; this was previous to my seeing the release; when she showed me the paper I told her that if she gave it to him that it was a final settlement; about the time of the Chancellor's decision in the Shelly case; Mrs. Harrison said she had visited Mrs. Shelly in New-York, and obtained important information in relation to the pretended marriage of Mr. Vreeland with Mrs. Shelly; said she visited Mrs. Shelly to procure the release which was in Mr. Vreeland's trunk at her house; she offered the servant girl $25, to aid her in procuring the release, but Mr. Vreeland's son had been there and taken away his trunk; about ten days after this occurrence Mrs. Harrison spoke about bringing a suit, and I told her I could not act in the matter, and advised her to employ counsel; the conversation recommending the employment of counsel was after the decision in the chancery suit; recollect that at one time she told me she wanted to

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Scrip certificates will be given at the time of paying installments, and certificates of full-paid stock will be given in exchange for the said scrip certificates, whenever the full amount shall have been paid in.

Persons owning less than two shares, or more than a multiple of two shares, are requested to enroll, so that the number of their shares shall be two, or a multiple of two.

The Stock Transfer Book will be, and remain, closed, from the 1st to the 15th of March, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors.

WILLIAM D. BISHOP, President.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 23, 1869.

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in Paris, London, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Vienna, and their correspondents in all principal cities of Europe; also, make telegraphic transfers on

CALIFORNIA AND EUROPE.

PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.

Holders of the coupons on Gold-bearing Bonds of the PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI, due Feb. 1, 1869, will present the same at the BANK OF AMERICA on and after that date for payment in GOLD, free from Government tax.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.

Issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

MILWAUKEE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD COMPANY.

A dividend of $1 per share, arising from assets of the Company, not included in the consolidation with the Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad Company, will be paid on the 15th inst., at the banking office of FREDERICK SCHUCHARDT & SONS, No. 40 Exchange-place, to the Stockholders of the Milwaukee and Chicago Railroad Company, registered as such on the books of the Company on the 23d of June, 1863, (the date of consolidation of the two Companies,) or their legal representatives.

FRED. SCHUCHARDT, Trustee.

MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that a vote of the shareholders owning two-thirds of the stock of this association to go into liquidation and be closed, has been taken; and that this Association is closing up its affairs accordingly.

And the holders of the notes of this Association and others entitled to receive the same, are hereby notified to present said notes and other claims against this Association for payment at the banking-house of said Association in the city of Troy.

Dated Troy, Dec. 31, 1868.

By order of the Board of Directors.

FRS. SIMS, Cashier.

This Bank has reorganized as a State institution, and will continue business as usual, under the name of The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN MERCHANTS' UNION EXPRESS COMPANY, No. 115 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 4, 1869.

ON AND AFTER THIS DATE THE transfer books of this Company will be kept with the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of New-York, No. 36 Exchange-place.

The conversion of the balance of the old stock of the Merchants' Union and American Express Companies into the stock of this Company will continue as heretofore at the general office of the Company, No. 115 Broadway, New-York.

J. N. KNAPP, Secretary.

DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN R. R. CO.,
GENERAL OFFICE, No. 26 EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 30, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR OFficers and Managers of this Company for the ensuing year, will be held at this office, on TUESDAY, the 2d day of February next, at 12 o'clock M.

The polls will be open between 12 o'clock M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from the evening of the 15th inst. until the morning of the 24th inst.

By order of the Board of Managers.

CHARLES E. CARRYL, Secretary.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 29, 1869.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th of February next, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 4 P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Feb. 8 until Feb. 18.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

SOUTHERN SECURITIES WANTED.—The highest market rates paid for Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Louisiana Real Due Coupons; also, Memphis and Charleston Railroad, Wilmington and Manchester Railroad Mortgage Bonds, Mississippi and Tennessee First Mortgage Bonds, Past Due Wilmington City Bonds, Memphis 6 per cent. Bonds and Stock, and Charleston 6 per cent. Stock. By J. M. WEITH & CO., Nos. 35 New-st. and 79 Broadway.

THE MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY COMPANY give notice, that on Feb. 15, 1869, they will pay a cash Dividend of Seven per Cent. on their Preferred Stock, and will divide in common stock Ten per Cents. to those preferred stockholders, and Fourteen per Cent. on their common stockholders, according to the list of stockholders on Jan. 26. The transfer books will be closed from Jan. 26 at 3 P. M., to Feb. 15, 10 A. M. By order of the Board of Directors.

JAMES M. MCKINLEY, Transfer Agent.

FINANCIAL.

California Pacific Railroad Company.

FIRST MORTGAGE TWENTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT.

GOLD BONDS.

PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD COIN.

COUPONS PAYABLE FIRST JANUARY AND JULY, AT NATIONAL PARK BANK, NEW-YORK, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER A LIMITED NUMBER OF THE ABOVE DESIRABLE BONDS, AT PAR, WITH ACCRUED INTEREST IN CURRENCY.

The total amount of Bonds authorized to be issued is $2,350,000.

LESS THAN $22,000 PER MILE.

THE LARGER PORTION OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SOLD.

THESE BONDS ARE SECURED BY A FIRST MORTGAGE ON THE ENTIRE PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY,

including their valuable LANDS, WHARVES and WATER PRIVILEGES at Vallejo and elsewhere.

Total length of road, 105 miles.

Finished, fully stocked and equipped, and now running from Vallejo to Sacramento, 69 miles.

The monthly earnings on this portion of the road *are now nearly three times the monthly interest on the entire issue of Bonds.*

This road is the most direct route between San Francisco and Sacramento, reducing the time between these two cities to three and one-half hours.

The Marysville line is in process of construction; the grading nearly completed, one-third of the iron on hand, and the balance purchased, shipped, and expected to arrive in February. The road will be completed early this season.

The road-bed is of most substantial character—permanent, solid, and completely ballasted. The iron is of the best quality. The rolling stock and equipment are in every respect first-class.

The country through which this road runs is entirely exempt from either snow, ice or frost, and its agricultural resources surpass those of any portion of the State.

From satisfactory proofs, received by us from reliable parties in California, of the great present value and future prospects of this road, we do most unhesitatingly recommend these securities to our friends and the public as a first-class investment,—safe, and in every respect desirable.

Circulars, maps and other information can be had on application to the subscribers.

TURNER BROS., Bankers,
No. 14 Nassau, corner Pine-st.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the American Umbrella Frame Company will be held on the 15th day of February, 1869, at 3 o'clock P. M., at their office, No. 179 Chester-st., in the City of New-York, for the purpose of increasing the capital stock of said Company to the amount of $300,000.

A. STEWART BLACK,
SIEGMUND T. MEYER,
DUDLEY M. FERGUSON,
AARON JACOBS,
JOHN N. HAYWARD,
Majority of Trustees.

Dated New-York, Jan. 21, 1869.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC AND GREAT WESTERN PETROLEUM COMPANY, No. 122 BOWERY, CORNER GRAND-ST, NEW-YORK, Jan. 28, 1869.

AN ELECTION FOR SEVEN TRUSTees and three Inspectors for the next ensuing election, will be held on MONDAY, Feb. 15, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock P. M. The transfer books will remain closed until that date.

W. A. HALL, Secretary.

ST. LOUIS AND IRON MOUNTAIN 7 PER CENT. BONDS.—The Company will sell, during February, $150,000 of their first mortgage bonds at 85, and a like amount in March will close the entire issue. The security is three times the amount of loan.

H. G. MARQUAND, Vice-President.
No. 43 Wall-st.

PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.—Six per cent. bonds, principal and interest payable in gold, for sale on favorable terms by

S. SKAATS & BRO.,
No. 19 Broad-st.

A MEMBER OF THE STOCK EXchange wishes to make an arrangement with some stock or banking-house (established or in contemplation) where his Board seat would be available. Address BROKER, Box No. 144 *Times* Office.

MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD 8 PER CENT. STERLING BONDS wanted by G. T. BONNER & CO., No. 20 Broad-st.

ALL KINDS OF SOUTHERN SECURities bought and sold by

LEVY & BORG,
No. 41 Pine-st.

DIVIDENDS.

EIGHTEENTH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF THE

GEBHARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 141 BROADWAY, Jan. 28, 1869.

The Board of Directors at this day declared the usual semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., payable on and after Monday, Feb. 1, free of Government tax.

JOHN R. SMITH, Secretary.

ARE YOU INSURED?

OFFICE OF THE RUTGERS FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 130 CHATHAM-SQUARE.
29TH DIVIDEND.

The Board of Directors have declared a semi-annual Dividend of SEVEN PER CENT., free of tax, payable Feb. 1, 1869. JAS. W. DUGLISS, Secretary.

TWENTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF THE LENOX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 158 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 13, 1869.

A semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, is payable on demand.

A. H. WALTON, Secretary.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF the American Coal Company of Allegany County, Md., have declared a Dividend of Three per Cent. on the Capital Stock, payable to the Company on the 10th day of March next, at the office of the Company, No. 119 Broadway.

The transfer books will be closed from the evening of the 27th February to the morning of 11th March.

M. A. MYERS, Sec'y.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 4, 1869.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 20, 1869.

A DIVIDEND OF (5) FIVE PER CENT., free of all taxes, has this day been declared, payable on Monday, 8th February, prox., till which date the transfer books are closed.

W. W. FORD, Cashier.

STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY—TWENTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.

A Dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, has been declared out of the profits of last six months, payable on the 18th day of January, 1869, at No. 122 Bowery. WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,

Nos. 396 and 398 CANAL-ST., corner LIGHT. SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 TO $5,000, ASSETS, $5,836,736.53.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE CORNER PROPERTY ON 5TH-AV. AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. WILL SELL at auction on TUESDAY, FEB. 9, at 12 O'CLOCK, at the EXCHANGE SALESROOM, NO. 111 BROADWAY, TRINITY BUILDING:

57TH-AV.—The first-class 3½-story brick house and lot, 20.6 feet in width, on the westerly corner of 5th-av. and 13th-st., and known as No. 70 5th-av. The house is 20.6½ feet in width, and three rooms deep; is in perfect order, beautifully decorated by Marotte, and has modern improvements. There is also on the rear of the lot a two-story brick stable, in good order, well lighted and ventilated. This property is one of the most desirable residences in the lower part of the city; has a great prospective value for business purposes, and being most substantially built, is well adapted for store purposes. Lot 20.0½ feet front and rear, by 115 feet in depth, with a lot in the rear of 100 feet by 15 feet fronting and in L.

For map and particulars apply to the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st., New-York.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE STORE PROPERTY ON WASHINGTON AND VESEY STS. AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Feb. 9, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, under direction of A. B. Wetmore, Esq.:

WASHINGTON-ST.—The four-story brick store, situate on the southeasterly corner of Vesey and Washington sts., known as No. 205 Washington-st. and No. 6 Vesey-st.

VESEY-ST.—Two four-story brick stores on the southerly side of Vesey-st., known as Nos. 77 and 79 Vesey-st.

VESEY-ST.—The four-story brick store, adjoining the above, and known as No. 75 Vesey-st.

These stores are well timbered, and suited to any heavy business. The situation is one of the most desirable for many kinds of business, and as an investment will produce a very large rental.

For full particulars, maps apply at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st., or No. 81 Vesey-st., New-York.

EDWARD M. BROWN, Auctioneer.

BY E. M. MINTURN, BROWN & CO.—THIS DAY, (FRIDAY,) Feb. 5, at 11 o'clock, within their store:

300 boxes Naples Macaroni.
4 cases Turkey Prunes, stained.
25 barrels French Chestnuts.

For any quantity of which it may concern:

2,000 boxes Valencia Raisins.
1,500 boxes Malaga Raisins, slightly stained.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—On SATURDAY, at 10 o'clock at No. 101 Liberty-st., consisting of parlor, chamber and dining-room furniture, bookcases, tables, desks, mattresses, glassware, cutlery, &c.

PUBLIC SALE OF CONDEMNED ORDNANCE AND ORDNANCE STORES.

A large quantity of condemned ordnance and ordnance stores will be offered for sale at public auction at Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., on WEDNESDAY, April 7, 1869, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The following comprise some of the principal articles to be sold, viz.:

23 Iron cannon, various calibres.
1,100 Field carriages and limbers.
120 Sets of artillery harness.
10,000 Pounds shot and shell.
45,000 Sets of infantry accoutrements.
5,000 Infantry muskets.
700 Artillery saddles.
2,000 Halters.
200 Saddle blankets.
2,000 Watering bridles.
2,400 Cavalry curb bridles.
2,200 Artillery traces and harness.

Persons wishing catalogues of the stores to be sold can obtain them by application to the Chief of Ordnance at Washington, D. C., or Brevet Col. S. Crispin, United States Army, Purchasing Officer, corner of Houston and Greene sts., New-York City, or upon application at Rock Island.

T. J. HOMMEDIEU,
Lieut.-Col. Ordnance, Brevet Brig.-Gen. U. S. A. Commanding.

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Jan. 25, 1869.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF 64 CENTRAL PARK LOTS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on MONDAY, Feb. 15, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

SIXTY-FOUR CENTRAL PARK LOTS,

COMPRISING

THE ENTIRE BLOCK BOUNDED BY THE 8TH AND 9TH AVS., 70TH AND 71ST STS.,

TO BE SOLD IN LOTS.

EIGHT specially prominent CENTRAL PARK FRONTS. The title of the premises, being a portion of the

HARSEN ESTATE,

is unexceptionable, and a full abstract prepared by Messrs. Wetmore & Bowne, will be furnished to each of the purchasers without charge.

Two-thirds of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage for three years.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE PROPERTY ON BROADWAY, CHURCH, DUANE AND WORTH STS., TO BE LEASED AT AUCTION.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 16, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway—

BY ORDER OF THE UNDERSIGNED, A COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE SOCIETY OF THE NEW-YORK HOSPITAL: THE FIFTY-EIGHT LOTS COMPRISING ALMOST THE ENTIRE BLOCK BOUNDED BY BROADWAY, CHURCH, DUANE AND WORTH STS., WILL BE LEASED AT AUCTION ON THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DAY.

This property is located in the centre of the heavy business of the city, on high ground, with dry, sandy soil, and surrounded by first-class improvements. The leases will be for a term of 21 years, with the usual convenants for renewal, and will be similar to those made by the "SAILORS' SNUG HARBOR," which have always been considered as most favorable for the lessee. The advantage of holding long leases on property in the business portion of the City is demonstrated by the large bonus which has been paid for those made by the Sailors' Snug Harbor, amounting in many cases almost to the value of the fee. The leasing of the above-described property at auction will afford an opportunity that in all probability will never again occur for procuring leases of building sites that must, from the constantly increasing demand for business property in this City, soon be worth a large premium, especially as this property is by law

EXEMPTED FROM TAXATION.

JAMES W. BEEKMAN,
JOHN DAVID WOLFE,
ROBT. I. LIVINGSTON,
JACKSON S. SCHULTZ,
JAMES M. BROWN.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT VESSEL.

DEPUTY QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
BALTIMORE, Md., Jan. 28, 1869.

The United States steamer COLONEL BUCKER will be offered at public sale at the port of Baltimore, at 12 o'clock noon, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, 1869. This vessel is a

PROPELLER

of 241 66-95 tons; length 135 feet; breadth 22 2-10 feet; depth of hold 8 5-10 feet; draft, light 3 feet, loaded 8 feet.

She has one direct acting low-pressure Engine (24x24 inches) of 90-horse power, and one boiler.

The hull is of iron covered with 2½ inch white-oak and pine plank. The boiler and boiler were recently repaired at an expense of $3,000.

All the property on board that rightly belongs to her outfit will be sold with the vessel. She is well found in every respect and ready for immediate use.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids for cause deemed sufficient by the undersigned.

The vessel is now lying at the head of Spear's wharf, (foot of Gay-street,) where she may be seen at any time, or is open to inspection by those desiring to become bidders.

Terms—Cash in Government funds on day of sale.

STEWART VAN VLIET,
Deputy Quartermaster-General,
and Brevet Major-General United States Army.

PRIVATE LIBRARY AT AUCTION.

CLINTON HALL Salerooms and Art Galleries, Astor-place.—LEAVITT, STREBEIGH & CO., Auctioneers. FRIDAY EVENING, Feb. 5, at 7½ o'clock, Private Library of the late Rev. F. S. Rising, comprising a very choice and select collection of theological works; best English editions. Also, many valuable miscellaneous works, among which may be mentioned Appleton's Encyclopædia, 16 volumes, 8vo., sheep; Library of the Fathers, 24 volumes, 8vo., cloth; Parker Society Publications, 30 volumes, 8vo., cloth; Huyteneberg Christology, 3 vols., 8vo., cloth; National Portrait Gallery, 4 volumes, morocco, &c., &c. Catalogues ready and books on exhibition.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—IN THE matter of CHARLES A. MORFORD, a bankrupt.

Pursuant to an order of the Court made in the above-entitled matter, I will sell at public auction, by James M. Miller, auctioneer, at the real estate salesrooms, No. 711 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 17th day of February inst., at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, the following debts and other property:

A promissory note of Winchester Britton, dated Sept. 26, 1862, at three months, for $600 90.

A promissory note of Britton & Ely, dated Oct. 26, 1862, at two months, for $345 76.

A promissory note of Catharine E. Conover, dated Oct. 1, 1865, at four months, for $2,422, payable to and indorsed by D. D. Conover and duly protested.

A promissory note of Abel T. Collins, dated Nov. 7, 1865, at two months, for $1,000, payable to and indorsed by John Dearborn and duly protested.

Two promissory notes of C. R. Woodworth, each for $500, one dated Nov. 9, 1866, at two months, and one dated Dec. 1, 1866, at three months, and one dated Feb. 2, 1867, at two months, for $1,000, indorsed by Rose and collateral to the claim.

A claim against Levi P. Rose, and with it two notes of Thomas W. Birdsall, one dated March 24, 1865, at sixty days, for $2,000, and one dated May 3, 1865, at thirty days, for $1,000, indorsed by Rose and collateral to the claim.

A claim against John Dearborn for $736 27, and with it two notes, one made by John C. Smith, due April 3, 1866, for $808, one made by Abraham B. Rapelyea, due Feb. 1, 1866, for $1,000, payable to the Washington Life Insurance Company, on life of John Dearborn, for $2,000, held as collateral for the claim.

A claim against Evans & Cook for $402 45, and with it two notes held as collateral for the debt, one made by William F. Walker, due Aug. 15, 1866, for $813 25, and one made by J. E. Beach & Co., due Aug. 13, 1866, for $652 50, both indorsed by Evans & Cook.

A claim against C. E. Ellis for $400 02, and with it two notes held as collateral for it, one made by M. A. Levy, due Feb. 1, 1867, for $427 40, and one made by A. F. Levy, Due Feb. 1, 1867, for $30.

Also the following stocks:

6,000 shares of the capital stock of the American Tunnel and Silver Mining Company.

80 shares of the capital stock of the New-York and Philadelphia Petroleum Company.

5,700 shares of the capital stock of the Hoosac Slate Company.

1,000 shares of the capital stock of the Venango and Jersey City Oil and Coal Company.

2,500 shares of the capital stock of the Venango and Mill Creek Oil and Coal Company.

800 shares of the capital stock of the Hudson River Slate Company.

BENJAMIN G. CLARKE, Assignee.

Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 2, 1869.

AUCTION SALES.

GREAT SALE OF CITY LOTS

ONE ENTIRE BLOCK,

IN PLOTS OF ONE OR MORE LOTS,

Will be sold at auction

BY JAMES M. MILLER,

At the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway,

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, at 12 o'clock.

This property, which is most desirably located, is bounded by the 7th-av. Boulevard, 8th-av., and 147th and 148th sts.

The 7th-av. Grand Boulevard is 150 feet wide, handsomely laid out, and upon the completion of the proposed improvements will be the handsomest avenue in the world.

It is proposed to extend the 8th-av. Railroad line, and the cars will, no doubt, soon be running past the property on that avenue.

For diagrams and further particulars, apply at the office of the auctioneer, No. 28 Pine-st.

SALE PEREMPTORY.

Title to above property is unquestionable, having been in the family of present owners for nearly

100 YEARS.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF SIXTY MAGNIFICENT WEST SIDE LOTS,

LYING BETWEEN THE

CENTRAL PARK

AND

THE GRAND BOULEVARD,

To close an undivided interest.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 17, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, the following-described valuable real estate, viz.:

57TH-ST.—3 lots, north side, 175 feet west of 8th-av.

68TH-ST.—10 lots, south side, 400 feet west of 8th-av.

69TH-ST.—12 lots, north side, 92 feet 6 inches east of the Grand Boulevard.

70TH-ST.—12 lots, south side, 195 feet east of the Grand Boulevard, being immediately in the rear of the 69th-st. lots, together forming a plot of 24 lots.

70TH-ST.—6 lots, north side, 201 feet east of the Grand Boulevard.

71ST-ST.—8 lots, south side, 254 feet east of Grand Boulevard. This street is graded, flagged and sewered.

77TH-ST.—4 lots, south side, 200 feet west of 9th-av. This street is now being graded.

97TH-AV.—4 lots on the northwest corner of 70th-st.

Nearly all of the above-described lots are free from rock and cultivated as gardens.

TERMS—Sixty per cent. of the purchase money may, at the option of the purchaser, remain on bond and mortgage for three years.

For maps, &c., apply to the Auctioneers, 7 Pine-st.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

EXECUTOR'S SALE OF DESIRABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY ON BROADWAY, CROSBY, NEW, BROAD, CANAL AND LIBERTY STS., AND MAIDEN-LANE.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Feb. 9, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the executors of Christian C. Gunther, deceased:

Broadway, Nos. 502 and 504, running through to Crosby-st., 42 feet front, 80 feet rear, by 200 feet deep.

Broad-st., Nos. 58, 60 and 62, through to 56 New-st.

Maiden-lane, No. 45, through to 127 Liberty-st.

Canal-st., Nos. 510 and 512, near Greenwich-st.

For full particulars and books, maps, which are now ready, apply to the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY, NORTHWEST CORNER AVENUE C AND 13TH-ST.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 11, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

NORTHWEST CORNER AVENUE C AND 13TH-ST.—Valuable plot of ground, with front and rear buildings, with 5-story mill, together with 2 boilers, steam engine, 2 Burr mills, 2 elevators, pulleys, shafting, &c.; 25 feet 9 inches on Avenue C and 88 feet on 13th-st. Possession on delivery of the deed. Fifty per cent. of the purchase money can remain on bond and mortgage. Maps, &c., at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

NOS. 220, 222, 224 AND 226 ELIZABETH-ST.—E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Feb. 11, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, (Trinity Building,):

ELIZABETH-ST.—The valuable plot of ground known as Nos. 222, 224, 226 and 232 Elizabeth-st., on the east side, between Prince and Houston sts., and 50 feet of the Bowery property, being 98 feet front, 97.8 rear by 81.7 south side, 81.9 north side. Possession May 1, 1869. The buildings belong to the tenant, and are not sold with the property. The title is one of the best, having been in the family 70 years. Fifty per cent. can remain on bond and mortgage. Maps and full particulars at the office of the auctioneers, No. 3 Pine-st.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER, Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS, AUCTIONEER, will sell by auction, on SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 10½ o'clock, at their salesroom, No. 93 Liberty-st.,

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, removed for convenience of sale, consisting of Brussels carpet, a number of chamber suits, marble-top and other walnut and mahogany parlor suites, black walnut and mahogany bureaus, bedsteads, washstands, wardrobes, bookcases, druggets, glassware, silver ware, &c. &c.

Also, at 12 o'clock, a number of fine rosewood pianos, all made by the best makers.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Auctioneer—No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post Office.

ELEGANT ENGLISH FURNITURE.—ROBERT SOMERVILLE will sell by auction, at his salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 10½ o'clock, furniture, consisting in part of elegant carved bedroom suites, parlor suites, buffets, wardrobes, bookcases and secretary, elegant carved hall hatstands with mirrors, extension tables, bedsteads, dressing bureaus, washstands, commodes, linen bedding, &c. Also, a large assortment of office desks, sitting and standing library tables, sofas, chairs, &c., &c.

Also, a large assortment of linen sheets, table cloths, towels, &c., &c.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT under and by virtue of a certain instrument of indenture, dated the 23d day of January, A. D. 1869, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, made and entered into between EDWARD K. COLLINS, JAMES BROWN, ELISHA RIGGS, WILLIAM S. WETMORE and STEWART BROWN, of the first part; PROSPER M. WETMORE, of the second part, and the United States of America, by JOHN Y. MASON, Secretary of the Navy of the United States, of the third part, and for the purpose of obtaining repayment of the sum of one hundred and fifteen thousand and five hundred dollars, being the amount of the outstanding balance of advance due, unpaid and unrefunded by the United States, with interest thereon from the twentieth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, will on the first day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, at 12 o'clock at noon, sell at the Merchants' Exchange, in the City of New-York, at public auction, for cash, the steamship *Atlantic*, her tackle, apparel, &c.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, April 19, 1858.

The above sale having been postponed from time to time to this date, it is hereby again postponed until THURSDAY, October twenty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, at 12 o'clock at noon.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, May 31, 1864.

The above sale is postponed till THURSDAY, January twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at same hour and place.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Oct. 15, 1868.

The above sale is postponed until THURSDAY, twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at same time and place.

This postponement is a continuation in regular succession of previous postponements legally made in this case from time to time, all of which have been duly advertised in designated newspapers.

PROSPER M. WETMORE, Trustee.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 21, 1869. ja22-lawto25Mar

MARBLE MANTELS.

MARBLEIZED SLATE MANTELS, In great variety and at prices from $10, $13 50, $15, $17 50, $20 to $60 and upward. MANUFACTURED BY THE PENRHYN SLATE COMPANY. ALSO, Hearths, Tiles, Cisterns, Baths, Sinks, Urinals. BILLIARD TABLE BEDS. Slabs, plain and enameled. Slate work made to order. A discount to the trade. Quarries and Manufactory, Middle Granville, N. Y. Warehouse and Showrooms, 40 West 18th-st., between 5th and 6th avs., New-York. ELEAZER JONES, Manager.

MARBLE AND SLATE MANTELS of the latest designs, at very low prices, at A. KLABER'S Marble Works, Nos. 134 and 136 East 18th-st., near 3d-av., New-York. Mantels put up in the country. Cut this out.

MARBLEIZED SLATE, DECORATED Marble and Marble Mantels, rich and elegant designs. T. R. STEWART, No. 218 West 42d-st., near Broadway. Branch No. 6905 6th-av.

MARBLE MANTELS, HEADSTONES.—Great varieties at reduced prices. S. KLABER, marble works, No. 52 1st-av., near 3d-st. Mantels put up in the country.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—THE TRANSFERring Grain Elevator of the subscribers, as it now stands on their wharf, at Troy, nearly new and first-class in every respect.

GILLIMAN & CO., No. 40 Front-st.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 26th day of January, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of GEORGE M. BOWEN, of New-York, in the County of New-York and State of New-York, formerly copartner with Lucas S. Nicholas and Herman Steinken, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy to be holden at No. 7 Beekman-st., corner of Nassau-st., Rooms Nos. 3 and 4, in the City of New-York, before James F. Dwight, Register, on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1869, at 2 o'clock P. M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

FEB. 3, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of CHARLES P. EMERSON, of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings and State of New-York, who has been adjudged a bankrupt on his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such bankrupt, to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at No. 7 Beekman-st., corner of Nassau-st., Rooms Nos. 3 and 4, in the City of New-York, before John Fitch, Register, on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1869, at 12 o'clock P. M.

R. MURRAY, U. S. Marshal,
as Messenger Southern District of New-York.

FEB. 5, 1869.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON the 15th day of January, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

ST. LAURENT.....ROUSSEAU...SATURDAY, Feb. 20
VILLE DE PARIS.SURMONT...SATURDAY, Mar. 6
PEREIRE.....DUCHESNE...SATURDAY, Mar. 20

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD, (including wine,)
TO BREST OR HAVRE,
First cabin, $140; second cabin, $85.
TO PARIS,
including railway ticket, furnished on board,
First cabin, $145; second cabin, $88.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.
Medical attendance free of charge.
American travelers going or returning from the Continent or Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND DERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE,
favorite Clyde-built Steamers, are intended to sail
EVERY SATURDAY
From Pier No. 20 North River, 12 o'clock, noon.

COLUMBIA	Feb. 6	IOWA	Feb. 27
EUROPA	Feb. 13	CALEDONIA	Mar. 6
INDIA	Feb. 20	BRITANNIA	Mar. 13

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $90 and $75.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $160.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35.
Prepaid certificates from Liverpool or Londonderry.
Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., as very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Dey-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 6 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL,
CALLING AT CORK HARBOR,
SAILING EVERY WEDNESDAY.

RUSSIA	Feb. 10	JAVA	Mar. 3
CHINA	Feb. 17	AUSTRALASIAN	Mar. 10
CUBA	Feb. 24	RUSSIA	Mar. 17

Passage money payable in gold.

Cabin	$130	Second Cabin	$80
Cabin to Paris			$145

No steerage passengers carried.
The vessels of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
Through Bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent; and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL,
CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.

ERIN	Feb. 11	ALEPPO	Feb. 25
SIBERIA	Feb. 18	SAMONIA	Mar. 4

RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK:
Cabin.....$80 Gold.
Steerage.....$30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown at lowest rates.
For freight or passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.
For steerage passage, No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. E. CUNARD.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.
FOR LIVERPOOL
From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAYS.
MINNESOTA.....Feb. 17, at 9 A. M.
NEVADA (new).....Feb. 24, at 1 P. M.
CONSTELLATION.....March 3, at 9½ A. M.
NEBRASKA.....March 10, at 1 P. M.
Cabin passage, $80, gold; Steerage, $30, currency.
Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
For freight or passage apply to
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 71 Wall-st.
For steerage passage of
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP PENNSYLVANIA, HALL,
Will leave SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 12 M., from Pier No. 47 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $37, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman Line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF BALTIMORE.....Saturday, Feb. 6, 1 P. M.
CITY OF CORK (via Halifax).Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1 P. M.
CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Feb. 13, 1 P. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP.....Saturday, Feb. 20, 11 A. M.
And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE

PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$30 and 35
To London	105	To London	35 and 40
To Paris	115	To Paris	42 and 47
Halifax	20	Halifax	$15
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer	45	St. John's N. F., by Branch Steamer	30

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA, VIA PANAMA.
THE PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY dispatch a steamer every month, sailing from Panama about the 20th, upon the arrival of the British mail steamer at Aspinwall. The Pacific Mail Company's steamer leaving New-York for Aspinwall on the 9th of each month will make the necessary connection. Passengers and cargo booked through from New-York to the several Colonial ports.
A special steamer runs to the newly discovered gold region of Hokitika.
For further information regarding rates of freight, passage money, &c., &c., apply to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 59 Wall-st., or to
CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 23 William-st., New-York.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Cabin.

Outside.	Inside.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
$275	$225	$150	$75

Steamers of this above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

FOUR TIMES A MONTH,
On 1st, 9th, 16th and 24th,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
FEB. 9—ALASKA, Capt. A. G. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. LAPIDGE.
Steamer leaving Feb. 9 connects closely with steamer CHINA, leaving San Francisco March 15, 1869, for China and Japan.
For passage tickets and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st. F. R. BABY, Agent.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS BY PACIFIC Mail Steamship Company's steamer ALASKA, sailing on TUESDAY, 9th inst., 12 M. Freight received until 4 P. M. on MONDAY, 8th inst. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges.
F. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. E. L. TINKLEPAUGH, Feb. 23.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. GEO. B. SLOCUM, March 23.
MERRIMACK, Capt. W. WIER, April 23.
These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
WM. M. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.
UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE BAHAMA GOVERNMENT FOR CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.
THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the splendid side-wheel steamer
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, Feb. 25,
at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River. For engagements of freight or passage apply to S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FIRST STEAMER FOR
GALVESTON, TEXAS, VIA KEY WEST.
The favorite steamship
TYBEE,
E. A. DELANOY, Commander,
is now receiving freight at Pier No. 4 North River, and will positively sail on SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.
No charge made for drayage in Galveston on goods forwarded to the interior by railroad. Also goods forwarded to Indianola, Lavacca and Brazos, without commission.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
THE CROMWELL LINE.
Steamships of this Line will leave Pier No. 4 North River, at 3 o'clock P. M., as follows:
CORTES.....NELSON.....SATURDAY, Feb. 6.
MARIPOSA.....KEMBLE...SATURDAY, Feb. 13.
Freight taken for St. Louis, Mobile and Galveston at through rates.
For passage, first and second class, or freight apply to the agents, H. B. CROMWELL & CO., No. 36 West-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS,
CALLING AT HAVANA,
Carrying the United States mails.
The well-known side-wheel steamship
BIENVILLE, J. BARR, Commander,
Will leave Pier No. 39 North River, on
SATURDAY, Feb. 6, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage apply to
S. G. WHEELER, Jr., President,
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BOARDING AND LODGING.

A RESPECTABLE WIDOWER whose board, lodging and washing for three girls, in a private family, or boarding school near New-York, where they would have a comfortable home, aged from 8 to 12 years; a Protestant person without family preferred. Address, stating the lowest price, which must be very moderate, J. W., Box No. 129 *Times* Office.

A WIDOW LADY WOULD LIKE TO let two furnished rooms to two gentlemen; none but people of quiet, refined habits need answer; good neighborhood; three minutes' walk from Broadway. Address for two days E. W. B., Box 6,743 Post Office.

$50 PER WEEK will secure an elegant suite of front rooms, with unexceptionable board, for two, in one of the best private families near Madison-square. Address, with full name, EXCELSIOR, Box No. 144 *Times* Office.

A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE WITH a two children desire to take a suite of apartments with a private family, upon liberal terms; location above 14th-st.; giving and requiring reference. Address Box No. 2,822 Post Office, with particulars.

A FEW SINGLE GENTLEMEN CAN obtain board in a private family in Newark. For terms apply to THOMAS RUSSELL, No. 33 Chambers-st., New-York.

TO LET—IN NINTH WARD, PARLOR AND bedroom, furnished, with partial board, to single middle-aged gentlemen; family private. Apply at No. 635 Greenwich-st.

NO. 1,214 BROADWAY—A LARGE AND handsomely-furnished front room to let; will accommodate two gentlemen; rent reasonable; one door below 30th-st.

NO. 54 WEST 23D-ST.—TO LET, WITH board, parlor and bed, handsomely furnished, second floor, front; also rooms for single gentlemen. Terms moderate.

NO. 4 EAST 10TH-ST., ONE DOOR FROM 5th-av., furnished apartments, three rooms en suite, with conveniences complete, to let with private table only.

A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL LET, FURnished, a second-story front room, with bath attached; best of reference required. Inquire at No. 113 East 17th-st.

NO. 9 EAST 11TH-ST., NEAR 4TH-av.—A gentleman can have a nice hall bedroom, on second floor; in a respectable, small family; terms $4 per week; bath and gas.

VERY ELEGANT NEWLY-FURnished rooms for gentlemen, with breakfast if desired, in 5th-av., one block from Fifth-avenue Hotel. Address ROOMS, Post Office Box No. 1,807.

A FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET IN Brooklyn, in a good locality, convenient to ferries and cars. Application may be taken in board; immediate possession. Address H. C. P., Box No. 114 *Times* Office.

TO LET—ONE LARGE ROOM ON THIRD floor, with board, with two large closets, at No. 18 West 25th-st.; will be vacated on Thursday, Feb. 4.

NO. 34 WEST 40TH-ST., BETWEEN 5th and 6th avs.—First-class rooms on second and third floors, with board.

FIFTH-AV.—NO. 125.—A FURNISHED floor to let, with private table; also single rooms, with or without board.

NO. 59 WEST 15TH-ST.—A FRONT room and bedroom on second, and back room on third floor, with good board.

NO. 217 WEST 36TH-ST.—FURNISHED rooms to let, with or without board; reference required.

TO LET—IN A PRIVATE FAMILY, A FURnished room, on second floor, to a gentleman, without board. Call at No. 15 East 18th-st.

NO. 21 WEST 19TH-ST.—VERY FINE rooms to let, with board; references exchanged.

NO. 20 WEST 16TH-ST.—A FIRST-CLASS room with board for gentlemen.

RAILROADS.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.
Leave James-slip 8:30 A. M., Mail train for Greenport; 10 A. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 3 P. M., Express, River Head; 4 P. M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 5:30 P. M., Farmingdale and way stations. All trains connect with branch to Hempstead. Sunday train at 9 A. M. from Hunter's Point for Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove.
L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEpot foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:
9 A. M. Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
8:30 A. M. Way Train, daily, for Otisville and intermediate stations.
10 A. M. Express Mail, for Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.
3:15 P. M. Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate stations.
4 P. M. Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and stations west of Turner's, (except Oxford,) to Newburg, Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.
5 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
6 P. M. Way Train for Suffern and intermediate stations.
6:30 P. M. Night Express, daily, for all points West and South. By this train sleeping coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester and Cincinnati, without change.
8 P. M. Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
Also Way Trains for Rutherford Park, Passaic and Paterson at 6:40 and 9:15 A. M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4:15, 6:45 and 11 P. M. On Wednesday nights a Theatre Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate stations.

SUNDAY TRAINS.—8:30 A. M. Way Train for Otisville; 1:45 P. M., for Paterson; 6:30 P. M. Night Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South; 8 P. M. Emigrant and Way Train; 11 P. M. for Paterson and Port Jervis.
Express Trains run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Dunkirk, Cleveland and Cincinnati without change of coaches, and in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.
Perfectly ventilated and luxurious sleeping coaches accompany all night trains.
Tickets can be obtained at the Company's offices, No. 241 Broadway and depot foot of Chambers-st., New-York; also, at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.
WM. R. BARR, H. RIDDLE,
Gen'l Pass. Agent. Genl Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
8 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting with the sleeping cars for the West, via either North or South Shore Line.
10 A. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, &c., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.
11:30 A. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.
3:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping car attached.
4:35 P. M. Express Train via Harlem Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping cars attached at Albany.
6:30 P. M. Express Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping cars every day, except Saturdays, without change, via Rome, W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.
11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping cars attached, connecting at Albany with early trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.
A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad from New-York to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A. M. Returning, leaves Poughkeepsie at 3 P. M., arriving in New-York at 6:20.
Also, a Sunday train via Harlem Railroad, leaving 42d-st. at 9 A. M., and arriving at Millerton at 3:40 P. M. Returning, leaves Millerton at 4:30 P. M., arriving at New-York at 12 M.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Pavonia Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., 4:15, 6:15 and 6:30 P. M. And Saturdays, only 12, midnight. The 1 and 4:15 P. M. run through to Monsey.
Nov. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

LOST AND FOUND.

$50 REWARD.—LOST OR STOLEN, CERtificate No. 11,855, for $10,000 United States 10-40 five per cent. stock, registered, in the name of Grant Thorburn, Jr., and assigned on its back to R. P. Spencer. All persons are cautioned against negotiating the same. Fifty dollars reward will be paid for its return to KETCHUM, PHIPPS & BELKNAP, No. 24 Broad-st.

SHIPPING.

FOR MOBILE,
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the side-wheel steamer
FLAG, Capt. HOFFMAN,
On WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 29 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. Is now receiving. Insurance guaranteed at one and a half per cent. to Mobile. Through rates and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.
Has splendid cabin accommodations for passengers going to Florida or the Gulf Ports.
For freight or passage, apply to
J. F. PATTERSON, Agent,
No. 174 Chambers-st.

U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.
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CARRIAGES, SLEIGHS, VELOCIPEDES,
GREAT BARGAINS.
ALL STYLES. Harness, bells, robes, &c., at warerooms of CALVIN WITTY, 214 Broadway, New-York.
A lot of second-hand carriages for sale cheap.

HORSES, TRUCK AND HARNESS will be sold at a bargain; also one good horse for express or milk wagon. Apply at West 14th-st., second door below 10th-av.

FOR SALE—FOURTEEN HORSES AND mares; they are suitable for dirt carts, some for express, and farm, &c.; also one handsome milk cow, first calf. Call at No. 80 New Chambers-st.

THREE HORSES FOR SALE—LATELY brought in from the country. Can be seen by calling at No. 205 Varick-st., corner Houston-st.

HORSE FOR SALE—$125; OR WILL EXchange for a large one. No. 54 Watts-st., near Hudson.

HORSE, TRUCK AND HARNESS FOR sale, at No. 203 East 22d-st. Price $100.

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The Slaughter at the Theatres---Reign of Terror in the Streets.

The steamship *Columbia*, which left Havana Jan. 30, reached this port yesterday. In the subjoined letter of our correspondent will be found a very interesting account of the deplorable acts of disturbance that took place in Havana on the 22d and 23d of January, in which many lives were lost. Purser OSCAR CROCHERON has our thanks for courtesies.

CUBA.

A St. Bartholomew Night in Havana---The Villanueva Theatre Melee---The Louvre Riot---Murder of an American Citizen---The American Consul and Gen. Dulce---A Protest---News from the Seat of War.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 30, 1869.

The interest so intensely displayed by all parties since the receipt of the news of the fall of Bayamo, has been followed by the most profound agitation caused by the events which have taken place since then in this city, the ultra Spaniards having been wrought up to the highest pitch of excitement by the homilies of the *Prensa*, the gratuitous insults and slurs of the opposition journals or pamphlets, and the careless confidence placed in the volunteers. Many of these, in fact, the majority, have only enlisted within the past three months, and are as yet unaccustomed to think or act like regular troops, or as such to heed discipline, while the original members of the organization knew their duty, at least to a certain extent; if these had been properly advised and been under the immediate control of of their chiefs and officers, it is very doubtful whether I would have been compelled to narrate the sad events of this week of horrors, as it is already called by citizens of all classes. The blood of innocent citizens and foreigners, and an American citizen, has been freely shed.

THE VILLANUEVA THEATRE MELEE.

The announcement in the play bills of this theatre, that the song "La Insurrecta" (the female insurgent) would be sung, attracted on January 22 many individuals, the greater part of whom were ardent sympathizers with the cause of Cuban independence, especially as the proceeds were to be devoted to the revolutionary cause. At the conclusion of "El Perro Hueverо" cries of "Long live CESPEDES!" "Long live free Cuba!" and "Death to Spa'n!" resounded throughout the building, and the most intense excitement manifested itself. In the midst of this uproar a shot was fired inside the theatre at one of the performers. This seemed to be a preconcerted signal, as it was immediately followed by a discharge of small arms from the outside on the part of the Spanish volunteers, who had collected in the ditch, or old military fosse, contiguous to the building, evidently lying in wait. The peaceably disposed spectators in the theatre became terrified at the fusilade thus unwarrantably opened by the supposed preservers of order upon an edifice containing many innocent women and children. The deafening cries of "*Viva Espana*," intermingled with the no less energetic cries of "*Viva Cuba*" and "*Viva* CESPEDES" added to the terror of the scene. The Cuban party responded to the fire of the volunteers with revolvers, while the latter, strengthened by continual arrivals of squads of their comrades, kept up an interrupted fire upon the theatre. In a short time over a thousand armed volunteers, in combination with several hundred Spaniards, armed in various ways, had completely surrounded the place. The volunteers, maddened by excitement, could not be restrained by their officers from the commission of outrages which many consider quite justifiable. The arrival at the scene of this lamentable though disgraceful conflict of the "*Segundo-Cabo*" (Assistant Captain-General) and his staff, induced the heroic volunteers to desist from the massacre they were evidently determined on. After a conference with the Secretary of Police, the Segundo Cabo ordered all paths of approach to the theatre to be taken possession of by the troops, and the passage of all citizens prohibited. The adoption of this plan prevented any succor from reaching those in the theatre, who were thus compelled to come forth and surrender themselves to the volunteers stationed outside, who compelled all that passed to shout "*Viva Espana*" under pain of being bayoneted or riddled with bullets---probably both---on the spot. Notwithstanding, however, the terror inspired by the brutal acts of the soldiery, and the horrible plan entertained by some of them of setting fire to a building filled with men, women and children, some of the Cubans came forth undaunted and died under the bayonets of the military, giving utterance with their last breath to the words Cuba, Liberty and CESPEDES. A lady made her exit from the theatre and was getting into a coach, when, irritated by the presence of a volunteer, she cried out "*Viva* CESPEDES," a volunteer made a thrust at her with the bayonet, when she dropped a couple of revolvers and a dagger. Some one wished to kill her, but was prevented by his companions.

The number of killed in this massacre in and around the theatre amounts to eight, and the wounded were sixteen. Among the former are two women and two children, the eldest of the latter being 7 years of age. After some forty or fifty arrests had been made, order was declared to be restored. While the events related above were passing in Villanueva, measures were being taken in the Government Palace for its security against any meditated attack, the sentinels being doubled at every entrance to the building, and no person being allowed to approach too closely. The guard was formed in the front of the main entrance, and kept under arms until after midnight. Meanwhile a desultory firing was kept up on the part of the volunteer squads and a few rash Cubans during the greater part of the night. The next day the volunteers paraded the streets with the apparent intention of preserving order, but really to provoke resistance on the part of the Cuban revolutionists. Their efforts, however, were not attended with success, and Saturday passed off quietly.

DULCE'S PROCLAMATION.

Great surprise was manifested by a great many of the citizens of Havana because the Captain-General had not declared what policy he intended to pursue in the event of acts like those of the previous evening being repeated. Expectation was not long kept on the tenter hooks, however, as about 2 o'clock the following bombastic proclamation made its appearance:

HAVANESE: Last night a great scandal was committed, the authors of which will be punished with all the rigor of the laws.

Several of the disturbers of the public order are now in the power of the tribunals of justice.

Peaceable citizens, confide in your governing authorities: defenders all of the territorial integrity and the honor of the nation rest assured that justice will be done, and also prompt justice.

DOMINGO DULCE.

HAVANA, Jan. 23, 1869.

The publication of this document produced various effects. The Spaniards looked upon it as a justification of the conduct of their armed compatriots at the theatre, and the rank and file of the Cuban Revolutionary Party regarded it as a sort of recommendation to the volunteers to murder Cubans affected with revolutionary notions with the greatest impunity. The deductions made by each party caused it to be expected that other conflicts much more serious in their nature than that at the Villanueva Theatre would ensue. The result was not long delayed. Saturday evening passed off quietly enough, as only a moderate amount of promiscuous assassinations were committed, but Sunday was to come.

THE MASSACRE OF THE LOUVRE.

On Sunday evening, 24th, a shot was fired in the vicinity of the Tacon Theatre, while some volunteers were passing by, and this became the signal for a fusilade on the part of the irrepressible volunteers who were straggling in the surroundings of the Louvre Saloon. The *Prensa* and *Diaro de la Marina* claim that the first shot was fired from the upper story of the "Louvre" by a Cuban revolutionist, and aimed at one of the volunteers in the adjacent Park. The Cubans, on the other hand, allege that the shot was the work of a "loyal volunteer," and intended to afford an excuse for his companions in arms to commence indiscriminate firing. Be this as it may, the result in either case would have been the same. As misfortune would have it, there were many Americans in the saloon referred to, Mr. SAMUEL A. COHNER, a well-known photographer and an American citizen, happened to be in the saloon when the first volley was fired by the *volientes*, and on hearing it, and feeling the atmosphere disturbed by the rapid passage of the Enfield messengers, he attempted to seek a more quiet resting-place outside of its precincts. His efforts were not attended with success, and he fell dead within two squares of the Louvre. The discharge of the volunteers killed several Spanish gentlemen. An attempt has been made by the Press in the Spanish interest to throw the blame of the murder on private individuals. The assassination, however, is to be charged solely to the volunteers recently raised in this city and wearing the Spanish uniform. Two Germans were also killed by the first discharge, as also the manager of the establishment. In the billiard room immediately over the drinking saloon there were several Americans, who, becoming alarmed, succeeded in escaping by the roof. It is considered by many that a miracle alone prevented the loss of some fifteen or twenty lives. In the Tacon Theatre, just opposite, the company of JOAQUIN GAZTAMBIDE were performing the opera of "Catalina," and were about half through the performance when the first shots were fired. It is not necessary to state at length the result. The doors were immediately closed and barricaded, and the performance terminated abruptly, the audience evidently not being disposed for theatrical representations while real tragedy was being enacted outside. The streets of course were at once deserted.

SACK OF ALDAMA'S HOUSE.

I need not go into the history of Mr. ALDAMA, as he is pretty well known in New-York as one of the most wealthy planters of the Island, and one of the most progressive. The Spaniards here who claim to be pretty well posted as to the political proclivities of the gentleman, represent him as being possessed of decidedly revolutionary tendencies, but up to the present time no overt act of his has proclaimed any connivance on his part with the plans of the insurgents. The suspicion attached to him, however, was sufficient to mark him out as a victim for the fury of the Spanish Volunteers at the first favorable opportunity that presented itself. This occurred on the night of the Louvre massacre. A shot was fired in the vicinity of ALDAMA'S dwelling-house, which, by the way, is the finest in Havana, and the cry was purposely raised that the shot proceeded from the upper story of the devoted dwelling. A rush was immediately made toward the edifice by the veteran heroes of Villanueva and the Louvre amid a general running fire from their own small arms. The doors were reached and forced, the military rabble entered, and, on searching the premises, found the old porter to whom the care of the house was confided---the ALDAMA family being absent on one of their plantations---and a few old negro-women. The porter was *relieved* of his small change with incredible alacrity, the wine cellar was opened, and the generous liquors contained therein found their way rapidly down the thirsty throats of our valiant defenders. Dressing cases were pried open with sword and bayonet points, and their contents removed. Here was a party amusing itself by putting shot-holes into the paintings, improvised as targets for the occasion; here another diligently employed in cleaning the mud from their boots with the costly silk dresses and wearing apparel of the ladies of the household; in a word, the orgies were complete, and were continued throughout the night. Space will not permit me to enter more fully into details of this novel "raid," and I will close by simply stating that Mrs ALDAMA has returned to the city and instituted a suit against the authorities for the recovery of damages which are laid at $25,000.

AMERICAN INTERESTS.

In view of the shameful occurrences that have recently taken place here and the general sense of insecurity felt among all circles, the American Consul addressed a communication to the Captain-General, stating that if the Cuban Government were unable to afford to American citizens the protection to which, as peaceable residents, they were entitled, he would be compelled to apply to his Government for a force adequate to the exigencies of the case. After this communication was forwarded, Admiral HOFF, accompanied by some other officers, paid a visit to Gen. DULCE. In the interview that took place the latter expressed his profound regret for the occurrences which had taken place and his belief that they would not be repeated. I give below the reply of Gen. DULCE to the communication of the Consul:

I have received your Excellency's communication of this day and orders have been immediately given to deliver to Mr. JOHN N. JUAREZ the body of the American citizen, Mr. SAMUEL ALEXANDER COHNER, who fell a victim to the unfortunate occurrences of last night.

I venture to assure your Excellency that it will be difficult for successes of that nature to be repeated. Nobody more earnestly deplores and condemns them than myself, though they are by no means new in the history of political revolutions, and there is no other means of preventing them in the future than in the impartial application of justice and the energetic measures of those who govern. If difficult circumstances and subterranean intrigues (*Madreyes subleganeos*) have resulted in a lamentable collision---although passing and unimportant in its nature---I will not on that account forget the duties imposed on me by the prestige of authority and the relations of mutual confidence that exist between the Government of the Republic and the Provisional one of Spain.

For the greater security of citizens of the United States, you may remit to-day a list of their names to the Secretary of the Superior Government, who will furnish them with documents guaranteeing their personal safety on any of those occasions so really lamentable in their nature, but so frequent in Europe, especially when a sudden change is effected from a *régime* of violent repression to one of strict legality.

God preserve your Excellency for many years.

DOMINGO DULCE.

HAVANA, Jan. 25, 1869.

PROTEST OF AMERICAN CITIZENS.

Deep indignation is felt by all Americans resident here at the killing of Mr. S. A. COHNER. The subjoined protest has been directed to the care of the American Consul, and signed by a large number of Americans.

To the Consul of the United States of America:

The undersigned citizens of the United States, under the sense of terror which the want of individual security always inspires, to your Excellency send greeting.

Since the night of the 22d day of this present month the volunteer militia, organized by the late representative of the Spanish Government in this island, are committing scandalous abuses, without any regard whatever for right and justice. This militia stops all passers by in the streets, whether natives or foreigners, and obliges them to cry out "Long live Spain," killing those parties who refuse to do so. This militia commits all kinds of depredations, entering the domiciles of respectable citizens and destroying their furniture. That militia killed, on the night of the 24th, an American citizen, Mr. COHNER, who was quietly going to his home. That militia, encouraged and backed by the tolerance of the Government, threatens more and more, from day to day, the security of the citizens of the United States, and that of the citizens of other friendly Powers. Members of that militia have entered public saloons, and, presenting their bayonets, have forced men to hurrah for old Spain.

Therefore, the undersigned appeal to you, Sir, as the right by every available means you may insure the safety of their lives, their homes and their sacred interests. The Republic of the United States of America, which watches so closely over the interests and the welfare of her citizens, cannot suffer them to be victims of an unruly soldiery, and you, Sir, as the representative of our rights, as the protector of our lives and families, are bound to protect against the acts of vandalism, and as the sacred interests demand, the full of your Excellency's power, so that the citizens who still live may be protected, and exact the prompt satisfaction in respect to those who have already been assassinated by the Spanish militia. The undersigned are confident that without any loss of time you will demand that which your patriotism exacts of you as the representative of our nation. Every hour that passes by may be fatal to the Americans who reside in the city.

INSURRECTIONARY NEWS.

The most conflicting reports are in circulation in this city in relation to the movements of the insurgent forces under CESPEDES. The *Diario de la Marina* publishes most contradictory statements, all purporting to have been received from Manzanillo, Santiago de Cuba or Nuevitas. After the return of the last column sent out from Cuba to operate against the insurgents, the latter disappeared, and are charged by the Government organs with committing the greatest excesses. The rebels certainly must possess an immense vitality of organization otherwise, it is difficult to fathom, why, after suffering innumerable reverses they are at all able to face the ever-victorious foe. In spite of the representations of the Spaniards that the revolution is ended, and that its adherents are scattered in bands of marauders, the latter still present a hostile front to the troops of VALMASEDA in Puerto Principe, Nuevitas, Holguin, Tiguani, Santiago de Cuba and Las Tunas. The commission appointed to wait on CESPEDES has not yet been heard from, that is in regard to the success or failure of their mission, although accounts state that the rebel President informed them that he would receive with kindness any delegation having for its object the amicable termination of the pending struggle. This declaration should be looked on with distrust, as it emanates from sources and parties who favor the success of the Government. Besides it hardly seems probable that CESPEDES would have ordered the destruction of Bayamo had he possessed the remotest intention of surrendering himself and forces. An act like this, with surrender following so rapidly on its heels, would have rendered his name execrable, and, as the insurgent leader is a man of considerable intelligence and ability, the belief cannot for a moment be entertained that he would be guilty of such an act of suicidal policy were he not determined to desperately prolong the conflict until hope of its success no longer existed. The feeling against Spanish rule grows stronger every day, and is everywhere making itself manifest. Demonstrations similar to those in Havana, although as yet unattended with loss of life, are taking place in the other cities and towns throughout the island. Many families from Matanzas and Cardenas are arriving in Havana, and it is supposed a large exodus to American cities will soon take place. Indeed, the movement has already been inaugurated, and many have left. Government reports declare that the insurgents are coming in in large numbers to the different military posts in the Eastern Department, giving up their arms and receiving pardon from the Government officials authorized to grant it. Private advices state, however, that the different military columns, on returning from their expeditions into the interior, do not bring back any prisoners, and it is generally believed that all surrendering themselves away from a regular military post are murdered in cold blood by the troops.

NEWSPAPER LICENSE.

Owing to the numerous attacks made by small newspapers, recently established, on the administration, Gen. DULCE has issued a circular to the fiscal agent of the Printing and Publication Bureau, directing him to take steps for the prosecution of all journals advocating openly resistance to the Government or the dismemberment of any portion of its territory. He directs him to institute suits in the ordinary tribunals against the authors, publishers and printers of all documents of anti-national tendencies, and to take effective measures for the punishment of the unprincipled parties engaged in such a scandalous affair.

GEN. DULCE IN DANGER.

On Sunday night last, between 8 and 9 o'clock, a man presented himself in the Palace and requested to see the Captain-General, but was informed that that illustrious personage was compelled by pressing attentions to forego the pleasure of his company. The applicant persisting in his demands, attracted the suspicion of some of the officials, and he was immediately arrested and searched. A large dirk or Bowie knife was found on his person, and this circumstance, coupled with the suspicious cast of his persistency in obtaining an interview with DULCE, caused his commitment to prison. It is generally supposed he was bent on the assassination of the Captain-General.

QUASIMODO.

LOCAL POLITICS.

The German Republicans.

The German Republican citizens of the Eighth Assembly District organized last evening at No. 228 Broome-treet. Mr. A. AUTENRIETH called the meeting to order, and nominated Dr. CHAS. STEIN as Chairman, which was unanimously carried. On taking the chair, Dr. STEIN addressed the meeting with some appropriate and well-timed remarks, after which the following-named gentlemen were chosen to the different offices for the ensuing term: President, A. AUTENRIETH; Vice-President, Ch. Steitz; Secretary, P. Hartley; Treasurer, J. Meyer; Delegates to the General Committee, Dr. Charles Stein, Dr. Edward Treusch, A. Autenrieth, C. Jockel and A. Baumann.

On motion, it was resolved that this organization approve of the action of the General Committee, and pledge it its full support.

The meeting adjourned subject to a call from the Chair.

Radical Republican General Committee.

At a very full meeting of this Committee, last evening, a resolution was passed that a committee, consisting of one from each election district, be appointed to wait upon the President elect, when he is in this City, and request of him to name a time and place when and where he will receive the Central Committee, and that in the event of his compliance with such request, said Committee of twenty-one will make the necessary arrangements for the reception.

A similar resolution passed, applying to Senator FENTON whenever he shall be in this City.

The Chairman announced the Grant Committee as follows: Messrs. Kingsley, Herlick, Ross, Winterbottom, Kittell, Brennan, Farmer, Toucey, Brock, M. O. Roberts, Hays, Spencer, Cochrane, Oliver, Thompson, Miller, Hunt, Culver and Cooper.

The Fenton Committee was named as follows: Messrs. Leggett, McLaughlin, Fitch, Bennett, Guilderslceve, Smith, F. Conkling, Shehan, Ritterband, Brown, Conover, Burns, Alexander, Knapp, Hopper, Mathews, Berryman, Kirby, Wilson, Owen and Dewey.

Union Republican General Committee.

A meeting of this Committee was held last night, about fifty members being present. Mr. JAMES W. BOOTH presided. The Chair announced the Committees on Correspondence, Resolutions, Printing and the Executive Committee. A resolution, offered by Mr. DAVIS, was passed, that a Standing Committee consisting of five be appointed on naturalization.

On motion of Mr. DAVIS it was resolved that the Committee request Hon. RUFUS ANDREWS, Chairman of the Central Grant Club, to call a meeting of the Club, in order to make arrangements to send at least one delegate from each of the several districts to vote for the nomination of their first and only choice for President, U. S. GRANT, to unite with a like representation from this General Committee.

A motion passed that this representation consist of one from each election district. The Chair read a list of delegates, which was referred to the Committee, with power to fill vacancies. Adjourned.

Assembly Committee on Contested Elections.

The Assembly Committee on Contested Elections, which has been sitting for some time past at the Metropolitan Hotel, were in session yesterday in the Mariner's Harbor, on Staten Island. The case was that of WILLET N. HAWKINS, late Republican Assembly candidate in the Second Election District, comprising Middletown, Northfield and Castleton, against Mr. DECKER, the Democratic candidate, who was declared elected by thirty-three votes. Mr. HAWKINS charged that the Board of Inspectors sat and registered on days not prescribed by law, and that there were eighty-seven names on the poll list which did not appear on the register.

Fifteen witnesses were examined, who all corroborated the charge of Mr. HAWKINS. Others were subpœnaed, but did not appear. The case will be resumed to-day at the Metropolitan Hotel, when it will probably be closed. If that should occur, the case of ZIMMER, the Mozart candidate for the Sixth Assembly District, against CAMPBELL, the Tammany candidate, will come up.

The Committee consist of Mr. W. W. HEGEMAN, of Poughkeepsie, the Chairman, with N. B. SMITH, of Oswego; I. H. SELKREG, of Ithaca; W. B. CONANT, of Suffolk County, and F. W. MOSELY, of Kings County.

Installation of Rev. J. J. Brouner.

The installation services of Rev. JOHN J. BROUNER as pastor of the North Baptist Church, took place at the meeting-house, corner of Bedford and Christopher streets, last evening, before a large congregation, and was a very interesting occasion. Mr. BROUNER has for some time been pastor of the Baptist Church at Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island, and leaves there only at the urgent solicitation of the North Church, where the years of his childhood and infancy were passed, and where his father was so long the faithful and beloved pastor. His advent among them is therefore one of great pleasure both to pastor and people. Rev. Dr. LOOMIS opened the exercises by reading the 23d Psalm, and Dr. DOWLING followed in prayer. Dr. ARMITAGE preached the sermon, taking for his text 2d Tim., 3, xv., and reviewed the course to be pursued by a Christian pastor. The charge to the pastor was then delivered by Rev. Mr. RAND, and the charge to the Church by Mr. VAN METRE, late of the Howard Mission. Dr. ANDERSON extended the hand of fellowship, and the congregation was dismissed with the benediction by the newly-installed pastor.

The American Geographical and Statistical Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the American Geographical and Statistical Society was held last evening in Cooper Institute. Various reports were read showing the prosperous and active condition of the Society. The balance in the Treasury is $743 32 up to date. Since Dec 17 160 donations of books, &c., have been received from various sources. Among the donors are E. C. COWDIN, Esq., Hon. E. G. SQUIER, Senators MORGAN and CONKLING, the Imperial Academy of Science, St. Petersburg, Imperial Society of Records, Vienna, and many others.

Judge DALY presided at the meeting, and among the audience were Baron OSTEN SACKEN, Russian Consul; Hon. TOWNSEND HARRIS, Prof. ROGERS, T. A. FAYE and others.

The President introduced Mr. DU CHAILLU, the lecturer of the evening, who read a paper upon Equatorial Africa, with an account of the race of pigmies and of the cannibal tribes. It was delivered in the usual graphic style of the distinguished traveler, and was listened to with close attention by the audience. Unfortunately the very small capacity of the hall of the Geographical Society prevented many from hearing DU CHAILLU, and it is to be hoped that he will deliver this new lecture of his again in some larger place.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

Returns from the Fourth and Ninth Districts---Nearly $11,000,000 Collected in this City in Six Months.

The tables we publish below close the exhibit of receipts in the various Internal Revenue Collection offices of this City for the six months ending Jan. 1, 1869. It will be seen that notwithstanding the fact that the taxes on almost every article of manufacture, except spirits and tobacco, have been very materially reduced by the amended law, and in many cases altogether abolished, the collections are nevertheless very large. In the Fourth District the returns from the sales of tobacco mount to a high figure, while those from the manufacture of spirits are proportionably small. This latter circumstance is accounted for by the fact that Collector BAILEY has kept such a sharp watch over the distillers that they have found it unprofitable to carry on their business where there was any design on the part of the manufacturers to cheat the Government out of its demand. As "fraud" whisky was selling in the market for $1 60 per gallon, when the tax alone was $2, it was impossible for these distillers in the Fourth District to operate their establishments to any advantage, and they were forced, consequently, to suspend business, owing to their utter inability to compete with the fraudulent manufacturers in the West, who kept the market fully supplied for a long time with the products of their stills, which were every day being sent hither by the canal load. In this district, also, there were one period a large number of illicit stills; but their localities were, after some time, discovered, and their entire apparatus confiscated. Collector BAILEY has, in fact, been a terror to fraudulent distillers, not only in his own immediate district, but in other sections of the City. Our readers will recollect that the famous Blaisdell-Eckel case, lately tried in our Courts, was wrought out by this officer, against whom a conspiracy was concocted for the purpose of disgracing him, and bringing him into disfavor with the Internal Revenue Department at Washington. The conspiracy was discovered, however, and exposed. BLAISDELL and ECKEL were convicted of having defrauded the Government, and are now undergoing the penalty imposed on them by the Court. In the Ninth District, which comprises the northernmost portion of Manhattan Island, there has been a great amount of whisky manufactured, and the returns from this source are consequently larger. The receipts for tobacco manufacture fall off here, however, as compared with those of the Fourth District, in which are located the most prominent tobacco factories in the City, while, on the other hand the Ninth leads the Fourth very materially in the matter of collections on the manufacture of fermented liquors. The tax on this latter product is now collected by means of stamps, which are bought from the Collector's office and affixed to the packages in the breweries before sales are made to the purchasers. The aggregate tax from this source is very large, and it is collected to within a nearer percentage of the whole amount of manufacture than almost any other description of taxable property. There is very general complaint in all the offices that the income tax is paid grudgingly, and it is very doubtful if more than two-thirds of the amount legitimately due the Government is actually collected. The best collections in this respect are made in the Eighth (GELLING'S) District, which is, in this particular, the heaviest in the country. As the income tax is made up, however, from the statements of the tax-payers themselves, and as it is a lamentable fact that a numerous body of our people are under the impression that there is no great harm done if they make their returns far less in amount than the truth will justify, the Government annually loses a very large sum of money. It is a difficult matter to devise a plan by which the actual income of a citizen may be ascertained, and, as under the present system, the assessing officers are necessarily compelled, to a greater or less extent, to pry into the private family affairs of individuals, they feel the work to be an irksome and disagreeable one, of which, were it possible, they would gladly rid themselves. The indications are, however, that a change will soon be effected in the mode of assessing, as well as of collecting this tax, which, while it will yield a larger revenue to the Government, will at the same time render the labors of the assessors less disagreeable than they now are, both to themselves and to the tax-payers. It is certain that there are many persons, here and elsewhere, amenable under the law to the payment of income tax, and also to taxation as owners of different kinds of property comprised under the head of "Schedule A," who now manage to escape paying anything. It is an exceedingly difficult matter, however, to get at sufficient evidence in these cases to insure a compulsory liquidation of the Governmental demands together with the pecuniary penalty which attaches to fraudulent practices in this particular locality. Subjoined will be found the collection returns from the Fourth and Ninth Districts:

FOURTH DISTRICT.

Comprising the Third, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Wards, J. F. Bailey, Collector.

	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Gross receipts	$15,259	$7,030	$13,502
Sales	39,618	46,821	52,352
Special tax	45,360	20,092	6,204
Incomes	75,077	24,230	11,593
Legacies	3	73	140
Successions	1,413	....	4,894
Schedule A	294	155	44
Spirits	....	7,238	8,008
Tobacco	94,098	74,563	79,540
Fermented liquors	5,392	5,319	5,212
Banks, &c	14,216	1,032	4,003
Penalties	5,850	548	298
Unprovided for	942	817	19
Total	$347,522	$187,918	$215,719
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Gross receipts	$12,463	$14,823	$19,047
Sales	130,318	94,786	84,736
Special tax	5,916	1,469	1,539
Incomes	19,128	10,826	9,802
Legacies	783	12	948
Successions	1,083	....	196
Schedule A	40	87	9
Spirits	5,882	9,301	7,929
Tobacco	99,206	118,333	159,923
Fermented Liquors	7,557	6,646	8,302
Banks, &c	2,353	2,771	1,330
Penalties	5,963	529	1,676
Unprovided for	498	82	2,538
Total	$229,982	$270,120	$277,408

Total for six months, $1,328,669.

NINTH DISTRICT.

Comprising the Twelfth, Nineteenth, and Twenty-second Wards---Thomas O'Callahan, Collector.

	Oct.	Aug.	Sept.
Gross receipts	$10,927	$15,102	$11,346
Sales	5,337	2,098	2,208
Special taxes	3,049	14,435	2,473
Incomes	154,451	32,290	74,493
Legacies	....	272	607
Successions	760	2,327	384
Schedule A	3,451	1,593	4,401
Gas	3,310	4,410	4,765
Spirits	12,738	39,665	28,247
Tobacco	3,018	3,554	2,196
Fermented liquors	39,964	33,708	32,817
Banks, &c	218	3	2
Penalties	215	7,307	12
Unprovided for	323	....	....
Total	$244,672	$173,634	$158,724
	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Gross receipts	$11,894	$12,808	$12,973
Sales	4,515	2,790	5,171
Special taxes	537	414	2,404
Incomes	10,331	5,603	6,867
Legacies	172	108	27
Successions	13,669	615	949
Schedule A	316	177	178
Gas	6,180	8,966	9,948
Spirits	63,960	49,945	45,923
Tobacco	2,228	2,054	5,115
Fermented liquors	28,328	24,038	25,155
Banks, &c	2	6	....
Penalties	33	88	194
Unprovided for	....	....	....
Total	$144,360	$107,650	$114,311

Total for six months, $943,351.

In Brooklyn there is a very general willingness on the part of the people to pay the taxes demanded by the Government, and the Collectors have but little difficulty in prosecuting their labors. A large revenue is annually derived from the tax on tobacco and cigar manufacture in that city. Few persons, indeed, are aware of the extent to which these manufactures are carried on in the "City of Churches." The bulk of the tax accruing from this source is paid in to Collector TORREY, of the Second District office, in whose district the larger number of these tobacco factories are located. This tax is collected by the stamp system, the stamps being purchased from the Collector. The tax on cigars is $6 per thousand, and that on chewing and smoking tobaccos is sixteen and thirty-two cents per pound, according to quality. The thirty-two-cent stamps here are nineteen kinds, varying in size from those used on half-ounce packages to such as are suitable for bales of 100 pounds. Of the sixteen-cent stamps there are four kinds, suitable for packages of from two to fourteen ounces. Cigars are manufactured to some extent in the Third District, but the bulk of the work is done in the Second. The extent of revenue derived by the Government from the tobacco manufacture in Brooklyn may be judged from the following statement of receipts at the Second District office for the last quarter in 1868:

	32-cent stamps.	16-cent stamps.	Cigar tax.
October	$29,545 72	$1,703 76	$1,475 47
November	116,345 28	5,013 92	7,173 11
December	124,414 10	1,851 92	9,562 47
Total	$342,505 18	$8,569 60	$18,940 05

RECAPITULATION.

The aggregate of Internal Revenue tax collections in this City for the six months ending Jan. 1, 1868, is $10,851,367 06, by districts, as follows:

Fourth District	$1,328,699 00
Fifth District	340,945 54
Sixth District	804,252 77
Seventh District	542,404 00
Eighth District	2,202,958 41
Ninth District	942,251 00
Thirty-second District	3,988,756 34
Total	$10,851,367 06

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

The saloon of the notorious WM. VARLEY, *alias* "Reddy the Blacksmith," situated in the basement of premises No. 7 Chatham-square, was the scene of a terrible row at an early hour yesterday morning. VARLEY has only recently been released from Blackwell's Island, where he was sent by Justice DOWLING about three months ago, and he was an active participator in the disturbance, as well as JOHN MONAGHAN, PATRICK MCDERMOTT and others. MONAGHAN was severely cut on the head, and the others were also wounded. All of the combatants were arrested, and subsequently discharged by Justice DOWLING, as they would make no complaints.

Sergt. DOYLE, of the Harbor Police, while patrolling the North River with a squad of men, came upon WALTER PARKER, approaching the dock at the foot of Desbrosses-street, with two rowboats loaded with pig iron. PARKER was ordered to halt, but, instead of doing so, having gained the dock, he ran away. He was, however, pursued, and captured by Officer PURCELL. Being arraigned yesterday before Justice DODGE, at the Jefferson Market Police Court, he was held for examination upon suspicion of having stolen the iron.

Officer CORKEY yesterday arrested GEO. W. WEBB, a salesman in the employ of A. T. STEWART & Co., upon a charge of purloining goods from the store. The accused was committed by Justice DODGE for trial.

ROSA MENDELSON, No. 141 West Thirty-second-street, yesterday caused the arrest of her cook, AMELIA APPEL, whom she charged with stealing $50. The accused admitted her guilt and was committed for trial by Justice DODGE.

MARY BROWN was arrested last evening by Officer MACHUTLE of the Fifteenth Precinct, upon a charge of having stolen a silk dress and $10 in money from CORNELIUS HART, of Marcy-avenue, Brooklyn. It was stated that the woman was an inmate of the house and went away with the articles while HART and his wife were asleep. The pawn ticket for the stolen dress was found upon the prisoner and she was held for appearance before Justice DODGE this morning.

CHARLES NEWMAN was arrested yesterday and arraigned before Justice DOWLING at the Tombs, to answer a charge of having endeavored to obtain twenty-four pairs of ladies' gloves, on a forged order purporting to have been signed by GEO. W. BROWN, of No. 48 Catharine-street. WM. A. CRAWFORD, of No. 26 Cortlandt-street, was the intended victim, and on his complaint and the testimony of Mr BROWN, the prisoner was fully committed for trial.

The semi-annual literary exercises of the St. Francis Xavier Debating Society were held yesterday evening, in College Hall, in West Six-teenth-street. The exercises were well attended and interesting.

The following information has been received in this City by cable: The new Inman steamship *City of Brooklyn* arrived at Liverpool yesterday, from the Clyde, and will immediately take her place on the line. She made 13¾ knots on her trial trip at the measured mile.

Brooklyn.

ROBERT FERGUSON, who was taken before Justice BUCKLEY yesterday on a charge of assaulting his wife, undertook to be very demonstrative in spite of the Justice's directions to the contrary, and the result was that he was sent to the Penitentiary for six months for the assault, and six months more for an assault made in Court.

A new congregation has been organized in Williamsburg, in connection with the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The Commissioners who represented the Northern Reformed Presbytery on the occasion were Rev. WM. MCDOWELL, Rev. R. Woodside, R. B. W. McLeod, M. D., Elder, and Andrew Stewart, Esq., Elder. Twenty-three persons were admitted as members, and the congregation organized as the Second Reformed Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn. Messrs. John B. Guthrie and Thomas M. Stewart were elected ruling elders, and Messrs. James Black, John McFadden, J. C. Dunn, Thomas Hawthorn and John Morton were elected trustees. For the present the congregation will worship in Masonic Hall, corner of Grand and Seventh streets.

HENRY HEINSWORTH was engaged in cleansing a swill tank at the distillery, corner of John and Gold streets, yesterday morning, when the tank sides gave way and the hot swill from an adjoining tank flowed in upon him and scalded him so that he died. Coroner JONES will hold an inquest on the body.

The friends of LUCRETIA MOTT intended giving her a reception this evening at Plymouth Church Sunday School rooms, but owing to her feeble health she is compelled to decline, much to the regret of her many friends and admirers.

THOMAS FLOOD, lately residing at the corner of Hudson-avenue and York-street, committed suicide yesterday by taking a large dose of morphine. No cause is stated for this act on the part of the deceased.

The number of patients treated at the Brooklyn Dispensary during the month of January was 585. During the same time 953 prescriptions were gratuitously dispensed.

New-Jersey.

Mr. WM. WHITLEY, for the past seventeen years overseer of the Almshouse, in Jersey City, died suddenly on Wednesday evening, in the eightieth year of his age. He had been subject of late to bilious attacks, one of which caused his death. Mr. WHILLEY was born in Park-place, New-York, in 1789, and for many years was Superintendent of one of the charitable institutions on Blackwell's Island. Nearly fifty years of his life have been spent in public duties connected with charitable and reformatory institutions.

A young lady, of a respectable family in Newark, has for the past three or four years attended church at different places in the city, where she has appeared generally dressed in a fashionable style, and where she has often attracted attention by her elegant manners and appearance. The sextons of the churches have, however, met her at other hours than those of worship in their churches; for, after the close of the evening services, she has often secreted herself until the closing of the church, where she has occupied a seat alone until morning. There are few of the sextons in the city who have not at some time during the past three years, found her sitting alone in their churches at the break of daylight. Her monomania becoming so well known among them all, she has not been arrested until yesterday morning, when she was taken to the Police Station by a sexton of one of the Market-street churches. She was, however, discharged.

The Case of Whelan.

From the Toronto Globe, Feb. 3.

Mr. JOHN HILLYARD CAMERON, counsel for the prisoner WHELAN, has returned from Montreal, whither he went last week to confer as to the position of the condemned. While there he made application to the authorities at Ottawa for an extension of time, in order to allow an appeal to England. He has not yet received an answer to this application, nor does he expect any until the meeting of the Privy Council, after Sir JOHN YOUNG'S return to Ottawa. He anticipates, however, that a meeting of the Cabinet will take place on Friday or Saturday next, when the decision in reference to the case will be given. Mr. CAMERON did not, as stated by our Montreal correspondent, apply by telegraph to England for leave to bring the case before the Privy Council there, nor does he intend to do so until the case is determined at Ottawa. Further, he cannot make the application except with the prisoner's signature, and as that cannot be sent by telegraph, Mr. CAMERON has refrained to make any application to England until the matter is determined at Ottawa.